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A Notable Oration Before the Ethical Society at Fine Arts Building—Miss Jane Addams Defends the Negro Cary B. Lewis to Speak at South Bend.

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

(Freeman Bureau, 3000 State Street, Phone Douglass 8058; Automatic 72-384.)

CHICAGO, ILL., Feb. 4 (Special).

The colored citizens of Chicago felt exceedingly proud of the honor tendered Mr. Jesse Binga, who, last week, was made a member of the Illinois Bankers' Association. He is the first member of the race to become a member of this great body of bankers and financiers. It was his record, honesty and integrity that caused Mr. E. D. Durham, ex-president, of Onarga, Ill., to make the motion which prevailed unanimously. In presenting the name of the South Side banker, the speaker told of Mr. Binga's wonderful progress in the financial world and the dignity and credit he would add to the honorable body. Every newspaper in Chicago, including the "Chicago Banker," gave Mr. Binga a fine notice, except the Chicago Tribune.

Binga Receives Letters of Praise.

Mr. Binga has been besieged with letters and telegrams from all over the country, congratulating him upon the high honor, and his bank has been filled with friends and patrons, expressing their appreciation for the great honor conferred upon him. It is regarded here as another milestone along the line of racial progress. Mr. Binga owns a great deal of property and recently married Miss Dora Johnson, one of the wealthiest women in the Northwest, and Mr. Binga controls many houses and flats on the South Side.

His banking and real estate institution is one of the most model in this country. It has long ago passed the point of being an experiment, but a substantial institution that is recognized by the leading banks of the Northwest. Three years ago, Dr. Booker T. Washington introduced him at the National Negro Business League at Louisville as the first Negro banker of the North, paying him a high tribute, and at no time has he faulted in the prosecution of his business. Mr. Binga is a stern business man, but as reliable as the Rock of Gibraltar. He is doing a wonderful business and has a branch on South State street and was a successful manager of a street fair here last summer. If the colored people would give more patronage to Mr. Binga's institution, instead of him having three clerks and two salesmen, he could have twenty or more young men and women of the race.

George E. Haynes of Fisk Speaks.

It is seldom that educated Negroes have the oportunity to speak before intelligent audiences, but on February 2, Mr. George E. Haynes, of Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn., spoke to a large audience at the Ethical Society in the Fine Arts building. It was a notable meeting and the writer was pleased to hear this educated man of the race speak. "The best whte people and the best Negroes never met. They know nothing of each other and the problems to be solved. It is only the worst white people and the worst Negroes that come in contact| Hence the city problem." Speaking further, Mr. Haynes said:

"The present condition of the Negro is due to lack of opportunity. This is the jubilee year of the emancipation of the slaves.. We emancipated the slaves, but we have not made the Negroes really free.

Coming to Cities.

"We cannot overlook the fact that the present movement of the Negroes to the cities is a permanent movement. The Negro comes from the farm for the same reason that the white man does. But his problem in the city is more complicated. Not only must he learn city life, but he must find himself in the struggle up from ante-bellum conditions to the higher levels, and he must meet the white man in a class and race struggle due to distrust and lack of knowledge.

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Must Lessen Separation.

"We have today in our cities a separation between whites and blacks that extends to neighborhood, schools, churches, labor, and, in some places, transportation and cemeteries. If this separation is not to produce a situation that is to become a millstone about the neck of Aemrican democracy the best minds of both races must break through and come to know each other and to work together for a solution.

"All the Negro asks is the opportunity t odevelop to the limit of his capabilities; an equal chance to have employment, educate his children, to have the sort of home he is able to provide."

Mrs. Celia Parker Woolley, of Frederick Douglass Center, said that a letter was being sent out to Chicago business houses in all lines asking that competent Negroes be given a chance for employment.

"The man who is willing to give the Negro a chance must be prepared to suffer penalties and protests and perhaps disappointments," she said. "But he will be a patriot who is doing his best for his country at this, a critical point in its history."

Mr. Haynes also spoke on last Friday evening at Grace Presbyterian church. Quite an interesting program was rendered and a neat sum was realized for the Fisk Educational Fund.

Jane Addams Defends the Negro.

Miss Jane Adams, head of Hull House, wrote an article for the Survey which has caused a great deal of comment in this section. The subject was "Has the Emancipation Act Been Nullified by National Indifference?" and protests strongly against the growth of the race prejudice in the United States, and the denial of political equality to the Negro.

The growth of this prejudice is largely due, she asserts, to the popular notion that since "slavery" has been put down there is nothing more to do about it. The present generation, she contends, seems far less sensitive to the hardships placed upon the colored race and the discriminations leveled against it than was the generation which saw the thing vividly through the conflict of the civil war and the sufferings of the reconstruction days.

Through a false pride a large element in the white South is taking a lower ethical tone on the Negro question than it needs to take; and through indifference the white North threatens to do the same. She says:

"What has been and is being lost by the denial of opportunity and of free expression on the part of the Negro it is now very difficult to estimate; only faint suggestions of the waste can be perceived.

"There is, without doubt, the sense of humor, unique and spontaneous, so different from the wit thfoYe etaoin etaoineta ent from the wit of the Yankee or the inimitable story telling prized in the South; the Negro melodies, which are the only American folk songs; the persistent love of color expressing itself in the bright curtains and window boxes in the dullest and grayest parts of our cities; the executive and organizing capacity so often exhibited by the head waiter in a huge hotel or by the colored woman who administers a complicated household; the gift of eloquence, the mellowed voice, the use of rhythm and osomatopoeia which is now so often travesties in a grotesque use of long words."

Means Loss of Capacity.

She continues:

"Much more could be added to the list of positive losses suffered by the community which puts so many of its own members 'behind the veil.' It means an enormous loss of capacity to the nation when great ranges of human life are hedged about with antagonism.

"We forget that whatever is spontaneous in a people, in an individual, a class or a nation, is always a source of life, a wellspring of refreshment to a jaded civilization. To continually suspect, suppress and to fear any large group in a community must finally result in a loss of enthusiasm for that type of government which gives fair play to the self-determination of a majority of its citizens.

"Must we admit that the old abolitionish arguments now seem flat and stale; that, because we are no longer stirred to remove fetters, to prevent cruelty, to lead the humblest to the banquet of civilization, therefore we are ready to eliminate the conception of right and wrong from political affairs and to substitute the base doctrine of 'political necessity and reasons of state'?"

The issue of the Survey in which this article appears is devoted to a distinguished symposium on the Negro question. Professor George Burman Foster of the University of Chicago, writes on "The Status and Vocation of Our Colored People"; George Edmund Hayes, director of the National League on Urban Conditions Among Negroes, discusses "The Basis of Race Adjustment"; W. E. B. Du Bois, editor of The Crisis, writes on "Social Efforts of Emancipation"; Mrs. Ida B. Wells-Barnett, on "Our Country's Lynching Record"; Miss Sophonisba P. Breckinridge, on "The Color Line in the Housing Problem."

Perhaps the most "militant" article in the series is the last one. George Packard of the Chicago bar, in an article entitled "A Civic Problem and a Social Duty," contends that the disfranchisement of the Negro and the robbery of his civil and political rights is in violation of the Constitution and makes out of what is at best a difficult problem a real menace to our institutions.

He says in conclusion:

Capable of Usefulness.

"The Negro race as a whole is capable of as fine and useful a place in our citizenship as that enjoyed by any other alien element. His sunny nature; his extraordinary imitative powers, that are as capable of good direction as of a bad; his adaptability, his courage, his physical strength, are all characteristics that must be welded into our civilization.

"How, then, are we to go about the eradication of the prejudice? It is a matter primarily of individual effort, of the exercise of moral force. The logic of the situation must be brought home to each and all. We must give the Negro, whether we like him or not, a square deal. We must bring to bear the light of reason into the darkness of the self-stultification that engulfs our attitude.

Differs as Other Races.

"I hold no brief for the Negro as an unworthy individual. Many of the race are diseased, degraded, lazy, ignorant, brutish; many are intelligent, able, refined and self-respecting people, who have adopted our ways and customs with far greater perfection and facility than many other races who are received by us with open arms. These individual differences are of course true of all races—even our own.

"For two hundred and fifty years the colored race has been systematically denied its rights as men and citizens. If we reform our social attitude toward them—which is the only way on earth—and eliminate the curse of race prejudice, we can look t othe Negro to take care of himself. Let us, then, as reasonable beings, take this first step, by influence, example, common sense and ceaseless agitation, to rid our country of this social and political disgrace. The cause possesses a moral basis of transcendent import, and is bound on that account to triumph in the end. The integrity of our institutions, the welfare of our political state, the trampled rights of a wronged people, cry out for justice."

Cary B. Lewis to Speak at South Bend.

Cary B. Lewis will leave Thursday morning of this week for South Bend, Ind., to deliver an address under the auspices of the A. A. O. O. O. at the Mt. Zion church for the benefit of the St. Pierre Ruffin Club. A grand musical program has been arranged and local stars will appear. Music will be under the direction of Prof. Gordon's orchestra, assisted by Mrs. Daniel Piper. He has also been invited to speak at Galesburg, Ill.

Will Dorsey Quits the Monogram.

Mr. William Dorsey, one of the most popular young men in the city of Chicago and who has been the musical director of the Monogram theater, has sent in his resignation to take effect this week. Mr. Dorsey has made an ideal director and has done everything possible to make his part at the theater a success and this is attested by the number of theatrical men and women who regretted to hear of his leaving. Mr. Dorsey leaves because he has been offered more money at Jones' Cabaret on Wabash avenue. Mr. Dorsey will continue his place of business, 3159 State street. He is head of the Chicago Musical Bureau, and Mr. H. Alfred Kelly is secretary and treasurer.

Champion Baseball Team.

Grace baseball team were the champions last year, and the team will be given a complimentary banquet on Monday evening, February 17, at the church, 3409 Dearborn street. We are thankful to Mr. Charles W. Pierce, assistant secretary of the Y. M. C. A., and superintendent of the Sunday school, for a complimentary ticket as a guest of honor. At the "press table" we will be present with pencil and pad.

Faith in Governor Dunne.

Dr. "Burt" Anderson and William H. Clark headed the party of Democrats who went to Springfield, Ill., to see the new Governor inaugurated. Others in the party were Col. James Miller, Thomas McCain, George Jordan, John Smith, and Mr. Julius F. Taylor, of the Chicago Broadax. Dr. Anderson, who was at the head of Governor Dunn's colored campaign committee for the state, was very much pleased with his trip. He assured the writer that Governor Dunne will veto any bill that will be aimed at the abridgement of the Negro's rights in the state. It will be remembered that it was Governor Dunne who refused to preside at a meeting of Senator Tillman when he came to Chicago when Mr. Dunne was mayor.

Medical Students Not Rebuffed.

Prejudice is creeping in upon us in Chicago but every now and then it gets a jolt beneath the ribs. The question was squarely put, whether a colored woman and man should have their pictures in a group in the graduating class of Loyalo Medical College. That was the question and it was debated for several hours the other day, but it remained for a young Jew to champion the cause of the race and when he finished a vote was taken which resulted 61 to 41 in favor of the members of the race not being ignored. Some southern whites raised the question and pushed it to a bitter end, but failed ignominiously.

Miss Daisy Sampson Has Visitors.

Miss Daisy Sampson, a graduate of Provident hospital and one of the visiting nurses of Chicago, has as her guests, Mrs. Mary Sampson, her mother, of Atlantic City, and Mrs. Mary Davis, of New Rochelle, N. Y. Miss Sampson resides at 5304 Dearborn street and here is where the visitors are being given a delightful time. They were at the dance of the Phyllis Wheatly Club at Masonic Hall, on Monday of this week and the visitors met quite a number of Chicago's prominent people.

Edward D. Green Purchases Saloon.

Mr. Edward D. Green, the well-known politician and Knight of Pythias, has purchased the saloon at the corner of Fiftieth and State streets for $10,000 cash. It is located right in the heart of the "Black Belt," and later he hopes to make improvements to such an extent as to gain a larger patronage in that section of the city. The city is getting larger and business is going south, and within a few years he will have one of the most favorable corners on the South Side.

Mrs. C. T. Boger, of Aurora, Ill., was in the city last week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Boger. Mrs. Boger came to attend the funeral of Mr. John Q. Grant, one of the oldest and most substantial citizens of this community.

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Mid-year exercises of the public schools took place last week and quite a number of young people received diplomas. Several graduated from the various high schools of the city.

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Mrs. W. H. Hayman, 67 East Thirty-sixth street, has gone to New Orleans, La., to visit her sister, Mrs. Grace Hart Brown, of 1804 Palmyra street, New Orleans. She will be gone a month.

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Richard Stanford, of Chattanooga, Tenn., now living in Chicago, has been in the Mercy Hospital with a fractured arm. He is getting along nicely. Address 232 Wabash avenue.

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Miss Mabel Jones, of the thirty-third block, Forest avenue, entertained at whist last week. Mrs. Robert B. Porter won the first prize, and Mr. Robert Delaney won the second. Luncheon was served following the whist game.

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Col. John R. Marshall left on Sunday night for Springfield, Ill., to be present at the inauguration of Governor Dunne. Col. Marshall is the state game warden.

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Miss Lucy Lindsey, one of the most popular society women of Chicago, has moved with Mrs. Dave McGowan, 4809 Langley avenue. She has given up the idea of going to California.

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Mrs. Della Lewis, Mrs. Mayme Clinkscale and daughter write that they arrived safely at Los Angeles, Cal., where they will remain for three months, stopping at 1038 Berendo street.

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Mrs. Henry Hart, of Indianapolis, Ind., is in the city, the guest of her daughter, Mrs. John Fry, at the Cranford building.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Delaney, 3632 Forest avenue, entertained at whist last week and quite a number of friends were present. They served a delicious menu and all enjoyed the evening. Mr. Delaney is greatly interested in the organization of a roralilad porters' society, which is being favorably considered by the thousands of men who run in and out of Chicago.

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Mrs. Louis B. Anderson, 2821 Wabash avenue, has been ill, but is much improved this week. She is the wife of Adjt. "Louie" B. Anderson, of the Eighth regimnet.

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Mr. Dave McGowan has purchased the Keystone saloon, formerly operated by Mr. John Fry.

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All the young people of Grace Presbyterian church are in for the complimentary banquet to be given for the baseball team of that Sunday school, on Monday night, February 17.

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Dr. C. T. Officer states that the "Stork Limited" arrived safely at his home at noon on Tuesday of this week and left a bouncing baby girl, weighing seven pounds. The doctor wears a smile that won't come off.

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Mrs. Barnett is making extensive preparation of the monster celebration of the emancipation of the Negro at the Auditorium on February 12.

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Miss St. Claire White, in the act "Little Feather," is an Indian act that is scoring success at a number of vaudeville houses. It is a characteristic act, appropriately costumed with special scenery. Her mother is in the act with her. They are the hit of the season.

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The dance on Monday night at the Masonic hall for the benefit of the Phyllis Wheatley Home was a grand success, and Mrs. Mary Waring deserves much credit for her efforts in behalf of that institution.

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Mrs. Hattie Baker, 3312 Wabash avenue, gave a benefit dinner for Mr. Will Thomas on Monday evening and reports are that it was a howling success. Mr. Thomas at one time was a popular theatrical man.

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Mrs. J. W. Eubanks continues to improve at her home, 3437 Wabash avenue, under the care of Dr. George C. Hall.

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Dr. "Burt" Anderson and W. H. Clark are scheduled to head the Illinois delegation that will attend the inauguration of Governor Wilson at Washington, D. C., March 4. Both are friends of Col. James Hamilton Lewis, candidate for United States senator from Illinois.

DR. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON WILL SOON TOUR THE WEST

PULLMAN, Wash., Jan. 23.—Prof. F. A. Golder, of the Washington State College, located at this place, is arranging an extensive itinerary during the month of March for Dr. Booker T. Washington, of the Tuskegee Institute in Alabama, who is to deliver a series of lectures and addresses under the auspices of universities, chamber of commerce, board of trade, etc., in Washington, Montana, Idaho and Utah.

His program as already worked out by Mr. Golder contemplates a series of arangements covering nearly a month, visiting the following places: Bismark, N. D., Bilings, Bozeman, Butte and Helena, Mona., Spokane, Pullman, Walla Walla, North Yakima, Seattle and Tacoma, Wash., Portland, Ore., Boise, Idaho, and Salt Lake City, Utah.

There are not a great many colored people in this immediate section, but they, too, are unusually enthusiastic and are vying with each other to make Dr. Washington's visit a success.

EVANSVILLE, IND.

(By Benita Morrow, 411 Olive St.)

Rev. Bigbee, of Trenton, Ky., who held a very successful revival, returned to his home last Saturday. On Friday evening after his last sermon a surprise party was given him by the members of Liberty Baptist church....Mr. Harry Woods has returned to the city for a few days.... Mrs. Josephine Reid Green, of this city, will visit friends and relatives in Paducah, Ky., and Nashville, Tenn, next week....Mrs. Kate Shaw, of Upper 5th street, was stricken with paralysis last Monday, which left her in a critical condition....Mrs. Addie Perry is improving very much from the results of a bruised thumb....Mr. George Sloss, of Orr avenue, is still on the sick list.....Miss Irma Anderson was taken ill Saturday night with a hemmorrhage, but is getting along better now....I would like to say there has been a mistake in the date on which the concert at Bell street church is to b given on February 17, instead of March. ....Mrs. Bettie Nelson left Thursday for her home in Murphysboro....Customers would pleaset obige the agent by paying promptly as the weather being very bad and it is hard to have to call two or three times to colect, and besides, on Monday evenings the report has to be sent in....Mrs. Cosby, of Vincennes, Ind., spent Sunday as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gibson. Among the few of Evansville who acknowledged her acquaintance were Margaret Willard, Sadies Berry, Irma Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Buckner, Mr. William F. Cooper and Benita L. Morrow....Mrs. Mattie Tuck returned to her home in Chicago after spending a few days in the city....Mrs. Susie Perkins was ill last week....Mrs. George Ross was the guest of Mrs. Mary McKee last Wednesday afternoon. A portion of the afternoon was also spent with Mrs. Mary Matthews....Rev. Long and congregation have begun services in their new church, which is located on Elliott street....Mrs. Bettie Nelson, of Murphysboro, Susie Perkins, Margaret Nelson and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Matthews were at the home of Mrs. M. McKee for luncheon Wednesday evening.

BISHOP WALTERS' CLEAN CAMPAIGN.

Bishop Walters' high-purposed campaign for the election of Woodrow Wilson has made Negro democracy really respectable. —Florida Sentinel.

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FRANKFORT, KY. (Special).

One of the most highly cultured entertainments was given in honor of Mr. W. Holmes, one of the prominent members of the First Baptist church of Lexington, of which Rev. W. A. Jones is rector. The church was beautifully decorated, and a program of rare merit was rendered as follows: Anthem by the choir, prayer by Rev. W. A. Jones, organ voluntary, selection by Mr. Robert Merritt, solo by Mr. Elijah Cunningham, reading by Mr. J. P. Black, solo by R. H. Hogan, instrumental solo by Miss Jane Mee, reading by Miss Lizzie Brooks, quartet (selected) by Messrs. Otis Russell, Charles Withrow, Willie Alexander and Henry Payne, mandolin solo by Mr. Sam Simpson, reading by Miss Laura Carroll, solo by Mme. F. C. Scott, reading by Mrs. Rose Brown, solo by Mrs. Silla Berry and address by Dr. W. H. Ballard.

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Mrs. Bessie Anderson spent a few days in Lexington the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. O. Covington.

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Mme. F. C. Scott, of Lexington, one of the most successful soprano soloists in Kentucky, has had special training in voice culture. She made a great impression during her first appearance in Chicago, after completing her special course in the Boston Conservatory. Her success has been widely noted in the theatrical world. Mme. Scott is a fascinating lady. She is different from some of the others of her profession and never forgets the work of the Almighty. She devotes a portion of her time as soloist in the First Baptist church at Lexington. She is a teacher in the Russell high school, and has had many offers for engagements on the road. The writer was asked by a prominent person to hear Mme. Scott sing ,and it was his pleasure last week to do so. I asked Mme. Scott why she remained in Lexington in preference to going on the road, and this cultured singer replied that she felt her first duty was to the church and school and that she did not care to depart from it. Her residence is at 461 North Upper street. We wish her much success in her excellent life work.

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Mr. Richard Harris, the tonsoral artist, has an excellent location near the depot. He is one of our most prominent citizens. He has an excellent business noted for its white patronage. Mr. Harris is a very modest man and makes no great demonstrations of his services to the people. He says but little, but does a large amount of work among the people. He is a great admirer of Dr. Booker T. Washington and strongly advocates the famous Tuskegee leader's ideas of industrial education. He has turned out osme of the best barbers in the staae, and this is a sure sign that Mr. Harris is highly proficient in his calling. Mr. Harris is one of those strong-minded men who is always ready to support any good cause. He is just as willing to help a young white boy as one of his own color. He shows his broad-minded personality by extending help to any and all worthy ones, regardless of creed, nationality or color. He is a real Christian gentleman, and is associaaed with several different lodges.

RICHARD HARRIS,

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Mrs. P. D. Robinson, of Lexington, died at her residence in that city last week. Her death will be felt seriously throughout the state, as she was very prominent in the work of the Orphans' Home. The sympathy of numerous acquaintances and friends is extended to the bereaved ones at the family home. A large number of etelgrams and letters of condolence were received by members of the family from symapthizers in all portions of the state. Mrs. Robinson lived a noble life, which has left its everlasting impression upon our people, as she was truly a leader of her race. She was very faithful to her church, and the weather never interferred with her work for the Master. She leaves a husband, Dr. P. D. Robinson, and two children. Dr. and Mrs. Robinson have been leaders of the people for many years, and the sorrow of the community is manifested by the sympathy shown the Doctor in his hour of trouble.

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Mrs. Martha Washington has returned from New Albany, Ind., where she has been attending the funeral of Mr. Jerry Washington.

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Mrs. Sallie Taylor and Miss Nora Hill, of Chicago, were the guests of Mrs. Annie Gatewood.

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Mrs. August Boyd and daughter, Miss Virginia, are in the city from Louisville, the guests of her parents.

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Mr. C. L. Timberlake had the misfortune to lose a valuable registered colt, which had already made a good record as a trotter.

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Mr. William M. Bailey, a contractor, was in this city on business this week.

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Mrs. Ethel Gilmore is spending a few weeks in Danville, visiting with friends.

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The First Baptst Club met at the residence of Mrs. Ellen Blackburn, where t was highly entertained.

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Mr. Lucian M. Taylor has opened a chili parlor and restaurant at 427 Washington street, in the Odd Fellow building, next door to the Peoples pharmacy. This enterprise has been much in demand by our people, and predict much success for Mr. Taylor.

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Mrs. Georgia Fleming gave a special dinner at her residence in Green Hill. The rooms were nicely decorated. A five-course menu was served the guests, who were Mrs. Mary Jones, Mrs. James C. Brown and two children, Mrs. Emma H. Howard, Mrs. Steve Clay and Hardin Tolbert.

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Mrs. Florida Chase, of Green Hill, is in Covington, the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Hersell.

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Mr. Thomas Perry, a highly respected citizen of this city, died at his residence on Moro street after a brief illness. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. D. C. Carter at the A. M. E. church. He leaves a wife, three daughters and a host of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hunt left for Franklin, Ind., this week. They have been the guests of Mrs. Metcalf, Mrs. Hunt's mother, in this city.

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Mrs. Martha Metcalf and Mrs. Mary E. Bailey are guests of Mrs. Lizzie Brown in Louisville.

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Mrs. Cordelia Trumbo Club of the A. M. E. church met at her residence and enjoyed a pleasant evening this week.

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Miss M. E. Gray's club of ahe A. M. E. church met at the home of Mrs. Eugene Stone this week.

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Miss Katie Halloch's club of the A. M. E. church met at her home this week.

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Prof. H. C. Russel, instructor in English at the State Normal, made an excellent report of the conference at Tuskegee, which he attended as a special representative of the Louisville News, of which our chum, Lee L. Brown, is editor-in-chief.

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Mrs. R. D. Hickman, wife of Rev. Hickman, pastor of Simpson chapel M. E. church in Versailles, is recovering from a very serious attack of lagrippe.

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State Grand Master M. H. Harrison, of the Mosiac Templars, paid the death claim of Mr. Martin E. Boyd for $150, at the First Baptist church Sunday morning. Mr. Harrison was called to Louisville on some very important business.

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Mr. Henry Jackson, of Versailles, was a guest of the city this week.

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Mrs. August Carlyle, of Indianapolis, and brother, Mr. John Mundy, of Louisville, were in the city this week the welcome guests of their mother.

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Mr. C. L. Timberlake made an excellent address at the State Normal School before the student body and faculty. He gave many points of advantage in education, and emphasized the importance of training the heart, hands and mind. Mr. Timberlake was highly applauded during his discourse, and all in attendance were indeed highly pleased with the orator.

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The Club of Joy gave a swell dance in the Odd Fellow hall. A nice crowd attended. Redman's orchestra furnished a high class of music. Mr. J. B. Harris was floor manager.

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The State Normal orchestra gave a recital at the institute in Hume hall. A large audience was present and enjoyed the occasion.

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Mr. Winston Marcellus Mason is a commissioned revenue office and not a commissioner of internal revenue. This statement is made by request.

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Mrs. Ida Berry, who died in Louisville, was brought to this city for burial. She formerly lived in Frankfort.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Martin were called to Versailles on account of the illness of Mr. Sharp Steele.

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Dr. E. E. Underwood was in Lexington on business this week.

SHEFFIELD, ALA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Marrilla McKinney, of Russellville, is the guest of Mrs. Laura Tompkins....A host of Shiffield friends were at the marriage of Mr. Lonnie Webb.... Mrs. M. L. Myricks entertained quite a number of friends at the home on Atlanta avenue Wednesday evening, January 29....The residence of Mr. Henry Taylor was destroyed by fire January 25.

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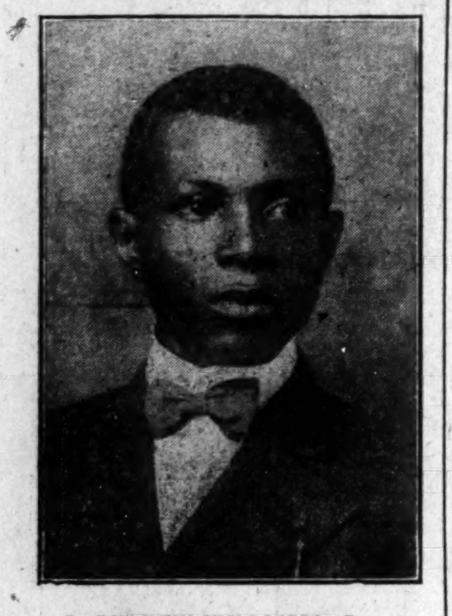

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But us folks dat's a-waitin'
 To see de big parade,
We isn' hesitatin';
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Philadelphia is the logical point for the meeting of the executive committee of the National Negro Press Association.

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There are friends of ours who hope some day to get to heaven, but for the present are eminently satisfied if they can just get to or be permitted to remain in Chicago.

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The white folks may not have any inaugural ball. They need not despair, hower. The colored folks will have one or more inaugural balls—and they draw no color line.

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Just as some hens can lay delightful eggs without cackling, some men can do splendid work without undue fuss and feathers.

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The appointment of Fred R. Moore as Minister to Liberia is greeted with enthusiasm. None of our editors can better be spared for a long season in the Dark Continent.

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Genial "Phil" Waters, of Charleston, W. Va., a master hand in politics of the Mountain State, scalded his foot the other day. "Phil" has a rare penchant, it seems, for getting into hot water.

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The socalled higher education is a fine thing, but it must not be overlooked that a happy home requires an expert in cooking, sewing and laundering.

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Al Palzer is not as particular as one Mr. Luther McCarty. He is to box Jack Johnson in Paris by and by. A chance at a purse of $30,000 ought to make a business man forget anything so flimsy as a color line.

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It is a sheer waste of time to tell your troubles to the public. Keep your mouth shut, do your level best to solve your problems in your own way, and it's dollars to doughnuts you will win out.

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We have a better opinion of a highway robber than of the scamp who will work off a bogus check on a friend who is trying to help him out of a hole. The highway robber has physical courage, at least.

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It is cheering news to learn that former Register of the Treasury W. T. Vernon is "making good" in Mississippi as president of Campbell College. Kansas lost much prestige by the removal of this eloquent orator and high-grade educator from its borders.

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Rev. J. E. Wood, Mrs. Mary E. Washington, Mrs. E. P. Diggs, Captain I. D. Oliver and A. L. Fian are bright lights in the galaxy of leaders of the Goor Samaritans of this country. This excellent order is growing steadily and ranks with the strongest and best in the land.

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No sensivle man will attempt to practice medicine, law, dentistry, or pharmacy, nor will he try to teach or preach without going through some kind of a school to secure training and experience. This, however, does not deter the fellow who makes up his mind that he wishes to start a newspaper.

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Booker T. Washington was never stronger with the American people than he is today. The masses and the classes more clearly understand day by day the value of his uplifting labors. He is building not only for today, but for generations unborn. The race is standing by him, as it should.

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The parcels post, making it cheaper for the plain people to send packages throughout the country, and bringing the products of the farm and factory more closely in touch with every citizen, is one of the master achievements of the administration of President Taft. He should have full credit for this remarkable move in the interest of economy in living expenses.

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The needs of the Negro schools of the South cannot be brought up too often in race meetings. The Negro farmers and business men are taxing themselves to better their schools in the rural districts and many of the classes that used to run two and three months in the year are now going at top speed from five to seven months. These are long steps in the right direction.

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The impecunious young men, who hankerafter social fame, will tender a vote of thanks, to Dr. Carl L. Alsberg, chief assistant chemist o fthe Department of Agriculture, for testifying that after-theater suppers ruin the beauty of young ladies. The savant strikes terror to the soul of the belles when he says those suppers will make them pale, sallow and cause huge, dark rings to come under their eyes. That settles the after-theater supper question, of course.

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The news from Kingston, Jamaica, that J. Alexander MacKenzie is dead, is heard with deep regret by everyone who had the pleasure of meeting this distinguished and affable gentleman during his sojourn in this country last year. He won eminence in Jamaica as superintendent of the business affairs of the United Fruit Company, and had an international reputation as an expert in constructive engineering. He was one of the most entertaining and informing speakers that appeared before the Chicago meeting of the National Negro Business League last August.

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The proposed "Civic Center" is stirring the colored citizens of Nashville, Tenn., and much is being said, pro and con. The project savors of segregation, and yet it cannot be denied that it also offers the Negro a big chance to demonstrate his ability to make attractive a locality distinctively his own and to make capital out of a plan which may eventually be saddled upon him willy or nilly. The Colored Civic Center at Nashville may have its repugnant features, out it has good ones as well. It can be made one of the "show places" o fthe race in a city noted for the progress and enlightenment of its Negro populace.

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The Alabama Penny Savings Bank, Birmingham, Ala., which recently dedicated a six-story steel constructed banking building, costing $60,000, is one of the institutions that have been fostered and brought into a larger life through the heartening influence of the National Negro Business League. When the league started in 1900, this bank and that at Richmond, Va., represented the Negro's total in the banking world. Now the race boasts of more than sixty establishments of this kind.

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"How to Secure Cheaper Money for Running the Farm" was one of the vital topics discussed at the Tuskegee Negro Conference, and it proved to be the big hit of the meeting. Getting money at reasonable rates with which to purchase needed implements, fertilizer, teams and living supplies is the great problem among our farmers in the South, and the explanation of how this money can best be gotten gave an impetus to the conference that will make it long remembered. The colored farmers know more about money and credits now than they ever knew before and all will profit thereby.

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NEGROES REPORTED TO BE PLANNING AN UPRISING.

That the Negroes of Cuba are planning another uprising which they propose to start at the same time as the one which the Liberals are now threatening is learned on good authorities. The Negroes in Havana in great numbers are said to be contributing 25 cents weekly to a fund to be used to forward their plans. It is suspected that this collection of funds is going on, not only in Havana, but also throughout the island. The Negroes are said to be encouraged in their pretensions by the threats now being made by the Liberals

The above is a part of the leading article in the Havana Post of Havana, Cuba, January 22d. The news, we think will be rather disquieting to Negroes in this country, who absolutely refuse to entertain notions of the kind. Of course, the situations are totally different in the two countries, Cuba and America, consequently a thorough understanding is quite impossible, not to speak of an intelligent discussion, by us in this country.

The Negroes of Cuba see things differently to those of America. Spain was the same practically to white Cuban and black Cuban, as a result that country was enjoyed, so far as the enjoyment went, by whites and blacks alike. In the rebellion Negroes were leaders, in the agitation, and in the army. It was but natural to think that when the end came that the blacks and whites would march abreast into the comomn good that followed. And it is a fact that imemdiately subsequent to the independence of Cuba, Negroes did share the offices and whatever consideration followed. That country could not escape the general law. What is in store for the Negroes of one country is in store for those of another country. And we think that "store" will be the final triumph of the Negro as a full-fledged man. He, however, will wait, and wait, and wait for the years to come. We are the children of the centuries. We may hasten or delay the day by our conduct but we can bring nothing to pass. We are not prophets, but the proposition is supported by the philosophy of the struggle of the races of the past, by the unanimity of the white man's verdict as to our status the world around. Hemmed in by unyielding circumstances we neither budge nor stir. If we stir it will be along the lines of the least resistance, leading on to the day whose fateful decree is no less than God's word for authority and exaction.

We have the utmost sympathy with the Negroes of Cuba, those that are contributing their earnings for an uprising at some future time. They are heroes in thought—in mind, but useless, needless ones. They but bind their own chains if they only knew it, and contribute nothing to the civil upkeep of the world. They are heroes because he who would be free must first strike the blow. But it is evident that our salvation will be worked out by newer processes. Time must do its part.

SECTIONAL HATRED AMONG NEGROES?

The Atlanta Independent gives it out that a new fad is on, that of sectional hate right among Negroes themselves. It delivers the following interesting speech:

"Wherever we have gone to the watering places and into the busy marts of all sections of the North, we have been compelled to run up against the great sentiment of the colored man of the North, to look down, not in mercy, but in disdain, at his colored brother from the South. There is no denying the fact, that there is creeping in very largely into the very inner life of most of the colored people of the North, a feeling of contumely towards their brothers who live below the great dividing line. This feeling has grown, and the most casual visitor can not help but feel the sting of this most miserable sentiment. In the years past, the feeling at the North has been limited almost exclusively to the small bunch of high falootin society Negroes, and especially those society Negroes North who were fair in complexion. Everybody knowing that this class of people never did contribute one iota to the national growth of the Negro, paid no attention to it. But just as surely as a rotten apple that is placed in a barrel of sound ones will, in the end, not only rot itself, but spread the contamination to the other apples and rot them as well, just so sure will this feeling of sectional hatred that formerly was only possessed by the few dude Negroes of the North, spread itself and show forth in the great masses of all the people."

The indictment is rather searching, and based on what the Independent has observed, one will think, since it speaks with the air of authority. Admitting for the sake of argument, that there is some such disposition on the part of northern Negroes to "hand" it to their southern kin now and then, what does it say? It says, as we think it, that some such sectional feeling exists in every country, among all nations of peoples. For example, the country people are not considered in it with the city people. The stage, the lecture platform, wherever is the characterization of man, the urban individual is featured as a sort of booby—a "rube" is the way it is put. Cities do present advantages for culture—a culture not only of books—a post culture or extra culture that comes of a constant attendance at the market of wits—theaters and such like places.

In other words a section is known and dealt with according to the quality of its output. There is a way of knowing, just as the needle knows the poles—just as true. The sections having the advantages are not slow in declaring these advantages, some way, somehow. If northern Negroes have lorded over southern Negroes it is due to the general cause outlined and not because they feel inherently better. They have had superior advantages, they doubtless think. And on a whole this is true. The South sends out many well equipped men and women, perhaps they in the aggregate are more brilliant than the northern output. But the South has millions to draw on; the North is limited to the hundreds of thousands. In the North education and talent is so common that it is not valued—properly, at any rate. In the South a fine opportunity for a fine education is still a boon. Master teachers in the North, white teachers with their unlimited opportunity, have been the Gamaliels, and we have sat at their feet. In the South the contact has been less direct. The result is known, acknowlelged by the South which makes much ado over northern products, in spite of the arraignment of the Independent.

Many other things contribute to the distinction of the section, civil opportunity, political opportunity, mob aggressiveness, all this enters the compound, making some difference in the sections very plain to note. Cause and effect here present and they should be thought about rather than thinking of a baseless cause of sectional differences. We think of the differences as such and not as hate. If the town-made man hates the country-made man—then yes. Otherwise, no. The northern Negroes are stirrel up by the wrongs inflicted on Southern Negroes. They feel in common; they resent in common; they are humbled and humiliated in common when gross injustice stamps in bits the finer traceries of right and mercy.

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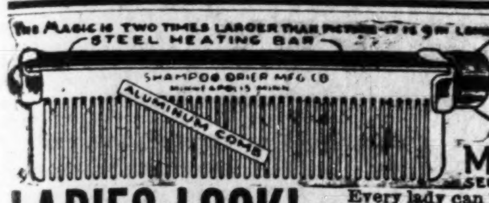
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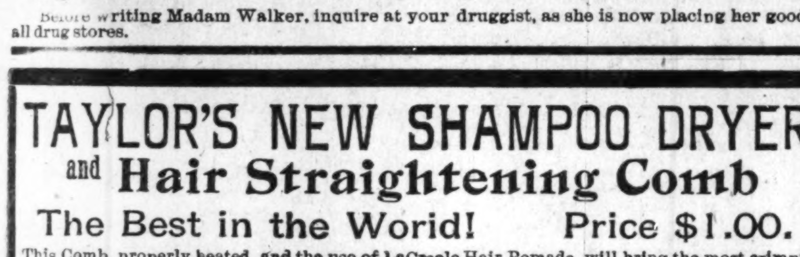

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IN OLD PADUKE.

Echoes from the Theaters—Report of the River—Railroad News—Installation of Keystone Lodge No. 63, K. of P., by Sir Knight J. A. Buford, District Deputy.

(By J. N. Amos, 1063 N. Seventh St.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

PADUCAH, Ky.—Since the stock company known as the Cornell-Price Players has been filling dates at the Kentucky theater quite a large crowd has been seen at both matinee and night performances. "A True Kentuckian" was one of the company's plays, and was cheered by many Blue Grass boys, girls and the grown-ups, too....It seems that James S. Garside and his big stock company are trying to make all the winter at the Arcade....Owing to the high water at the towns of Johnsonville, Mount Carmel, Chattanooga, Florence and other nearby places, the Ohio river here is not falling fast. Thursday the gauge read 47.6 feet. As the water is too high to dock steamers, the marine ways are not working, which causes many caulkers, painters, shipbuilders and carpenters and laborers to be out of employment....The heavy rains and high water have caused the railroads much trouble and expense. For more than ten hours there was no train service on the N. C. & St. L. between Paducah and aJckson, Tenn. The I. C. is able to continue its traffic in and out of this city, though the service is slow.... Last Thursday night the Keystone, lodge, No. 63, held its midwinter installation. The following officers were installed by Sir Knight James A. Buford, D. D.: C. C., John Ross; V. C., P. C. Hatch; K. of R. and S., Irvin Fuqua; M. of E., Gabe Armstrong; M. of F., W. H. Diggs; M. of W., Joseph L. Hamilton; M. A., Will H. Hayes; Perlate, Lathan Stokes. This is Brother Buford's first term to wear the title of District Deputy. He will make good, all right....Rev. W. S. Hodge, one of our prominent local ministers, delivered an excellent sermon at Burke chapel last Sunday night. His subject was "Growth," taken from Matthew 6:28. The congregation, having listened patiently to the good speaker, extended him a glad Methodist hand-shake. Twenty-five dollars was the collection Sunday....Rev. Hawthorn is conducting a glorious revival at his church, the Harrison Street Baptist church. Sunday's collection amounted to $53.10....Sunday night, January 19, Mr. and Mrs. Bane Barton, 1317 South Ninth street, left home to attend the night services, and before they returned their home was almost destroyed by fire. Insurance partly covers the loss....It has been only a few days since the Rev. I. Garland Penn visited Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Isabel....We are sorry indeed for Mrs. Walter Newman and family who lost home by fire recently. Their house was near Sixth and Burnett streets. They are now rooming at Mrs. Vivtor Board's, on North Tenth street....Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Lawrence lost their baby last Sunday. ....The girl baby who lately arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hubhlett, is a welcome guest....Mrs. Birdie Hopkins, 440 South Eighth street, is now able to be out among her friends....Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Baker, of Joppa, Ill., are visiting Mrs. Will Diggs, 424 North Thirteenth street....Mr. Thomas Bailey, 426 North Thirteenth street, after being confined to his room several days, is abue to be out to his work. Mr. Bailey is a deacon the the Harrison Street Baptist church....Mr. Thomas Overbey was sick at his home, 411 North Twelfth street. He is now feeling fine, and reading Uncle Sam's mail on the fast trains between Decatur, Ill., and Toledo, Ohio. Luck to you, Tom; keep it up....Rev. P. A. Nichols, pastor of Burke chapel, has lately returned from Louisville, where he attended the bishop's official meeting.... Miss Minnie Crowell, 1405 Clay street, is typist at the Negro Citizen office....On Sunday, January 12, the funeral of Mr. J. White was conducted at Burke chapel. Mr. White was a good citizen of Paducah, but within the last few years made his home in St. Louis. Futrell's brass band furnished music for the funeral march. ....Mrs. Cassie Crowell is visiting with friends in French Lick and Evansville, Ind....While passing the other day, I heard somebody say this: "An institution has neither to make noise like a calliope nor light up like a volcano to keep the public from thinking it's dead—asleep." ....What do you think? They say Lincoln High School Alumni Association will hold a meeting soon, or just before the Panama exposition comes off....Don't guess about it; read the Freeman and be sure....Each week you can get the Freeman at Amos', 1063 North Seventh street.

NEWS OF JACKSON, TENN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

President J. T. Lane, of Lane College, has just returned from Tuskegee and reports a successful iterinary....Miss Minnie Douglas, 409 Church street, left the city Tuesday on quite an extensive visit with friends and relatives in Memphis and Birmingham, Ala....Miss Gussie Wilcox, 316 Baltimore street, has just returned from Chicago, where she has been visiting her sister. Miss Wilcox reports a very enjoyable time during her stay in the Windy City....Mrs. ane Henderson, of Colorado Springs, Col., spent a few days in this city visiting Mrs. Elizabeth Moore of 234 Tanyard street....January 29 was observed as field day by the Sunday school of Berean Baptist church, on which ray every teacher and officer pledged to spend not less than two hours in attempting to impress upon the many indolent youth, who loiter upon the streets and hang about the soft drink stands of our city, the necessity of attending some Sunday school or church services. In this way it is hoped that the moral tone of our youth may be heightened and the numerous crimes now being committed shall in a great measure be checked....The Cotillion Club entertained at the president's home, Miss Marguerite Mosely, of 204 Reed street, Tuesday night, January 21. ....Mrs. Sidney Parkman has returned to the city and is now at her home, 403 East Sycamore street, looking as bright and pleasant as ever. Mrs. Parkman is a constant reader of the Freeman....Miss O. Beverly, 410 South Church street, entertained at cards Tuesday evening, January 28. There were twenty-eight guests in attendance, and the occasion was quite an enjoyable one....If you want to keep up iwth the times, read the Freeman. It is on sale every Saturday by J. A. Somerville, the Freeman man.

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PAST WEEK AT LOUISVILLE

LOUISVILLE, KY., Special.

On Friday evening, January 17, a large number of the parents of the students of Central high school gathered in the chapel of the main school building to listen to, and participate in an interesting and instructive program. Those who know, say that it was the dargest meeting of the kind held in the school within several years.

An instructive and entertaining program was rendered, consisting of short addresses interspersed by music, rendered by pupils from the senior class.

The principal, W. B. Matthews, presided and after delivering a short address in which he reviewed the work being done in the school, the changes and renovations in the building, the remodeling of the laboratory, he introduced Mr. W. H. Steward, who spoke at length on the importance of co-operation between parent and teacher. His address was to the point and went straight to the hearts of his hearers. It had its effect and will long be remembered.

Among others who spoke was Prof. Simpson and Mrs. C. H. Parrish. Prof. Simpson pointed out with great clearness and force the fact that the graduates from Central high school had entered many of the leading colleges in this country and were holding their own with ease and distinction. Mrs. Parish, one of the leading patronesses of the school, made a most excellent address. She urged the parents to co-operate with the teachers in developing the best ni our boys and girls, and suggested that it was necessary for teachers to teach by example as well as by precept, if they would do the most effective work. Her appeal to parents to assist the school and the teachers by requiring their children to prepare their lessons, to attend school regularly and promptly, was both eloquent and timely.

There were a number of short but enthusiastic speeches made by parents, all of whom expressed great satisfaction at the progress and improvement being made by the high school, and pledged their unanimous support along all lines.

At the close of the program the parents and teachers were invited to the domestic science room, where the young ladies of the senior class served them with refreshments, under the direction of their teacher, Miss Lattimore. All enjoyed this repast greatly. For an hour parents and teachers intermingled freely, made each other's acquaintance and discussed school problems profitably.

It is the general opinion that much good will result from that meeting..

Prof. W. B. Matthews, the new principal, is making good. The general improvements along all lines in the school are very evident. There is a splendid cooperation on the part of the teachers and an increasing endeavor among the students to do more and better work.

We feel sure that it will not be long before Central high school will have outgrown the present quarters. This time may be greatly hastened if all good citizens and parents will talk and work to that end. We need a new high school with all modern equipments and it now looks as though it will not be long before it will be in sight. The people have faith in the management of the school and are working to secure the best for their children.

We give below a letter received from a Kentuckian in Canada, who has been away for a number of years and has made good: Mr. Lee L. Brown. Dear Sir: Having been on a long tour of the Dominion of Canada, covering five months, since last writing to you, with the royal family. I want to give a few encouraging words to the young cooks who are starting in life. First, learn the fundamental principles of cooking as our fore parents knew them, not from theory but from practical demonstration. While French cooking today is considered the cooking of the times, yet I find the dishes of our grandmothers of the antibellum days, well cooked, seasoned and tastily garnished, will hold their own with any nation and any period. During my trip, after giving a distinctly southern dinner, I would be sent for to come in the dining room to be complimented by the royal family and their guests. The dishes were new to them and then the seasoning was another great factor, and I want our colored cooks to hold on, revive and resurrect all the old time dishes of the Southland and cook them along with the modern dishes and they will see themselves that they are preferable. I know they can't be beat. Learn to create new dishes and name them properly. I created a luncheon dishes of eggs and named it after the Duke. He decorated me after the meal was over with his personal gold buttons, with his monogram and crest on to wear when cooking. I made a frozen pudding out of three kinds of ice cream to represent a water melon and had it decorated with a southern plantation scene and called it a Suwanee river water melon, and they sent for me to come into the dining room, and in the presence of several lords and dukes, besides the duchess and princess, presented me with a pin and so on. Also the would visit the kitchen and I would give them the history of the various southern dishes and how they originated by the colored cooks. When I think of where I started in Louisville and in twenty years have worked up to cooking for royalty and now am recognized by the crowned heads of England as a first-class cook, I don't think I have labored in vain. The duke's personal chef he brought over from England has been decorated by three kings and the German Emperor, and when I tell you I cook beside him and give satisfaction it's no small thing to do. I hope these few items will help some one who is starting in the catering business to feel encouraged and to strive to reach the highest there is in that line. One thing, no one cook knows it all, and no one can stop one's progress in reaching the top. I remain, sincerely yours

G. K. VERNON,
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January 5.

EL CENTRO, CAL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Second Baptist church services were well attended Sunday. The Sunday school is making fine progress. Rev. Robinson, founder of this church was here Sunday. The pastor delivered an excellent sermon at the morning service on "Lip Service." The B. Y. P. U. held a meeting at 5:30. The pastor lectured on "Yop Can Do Better." In the evening the pastor spoke from Matthew 1:21. His subject was "Sin." He brought out many excellent points on how to remedy it. There was a grand reunion meeting on February 2. Communion and praise service was held at 7:30 p. m. An excellent program was rendered. Rev. C. Williams made the address of welcome....Miss Ella Kinard is progressing nicely with her school. Se is made of the right kind of material to move forward in her work, and is deserving of much credit for her efforts.... Miss Ella Kinard is recovering from an attack of pneumonia....Mrs. E. Wilson's family is sick....There is a controversy on here between the two churches which will prove detrimental to both if not put to an end. There should be no such condition of aaffirs. Accusations have been made against some of the people, which we hope are not true. But if they are, these people have no place in the service of God.

A LITTLE COLORED POET.

Willie Linden is a colored boy of eleven years, living in Indianapolis. He is getting notice owing to his efforts at making verses. The boy is decidedly different to others, seeming to have but very little in common. He seems somewhat in a mood of abstraction—busying with great thoughts. Willie is of normal development, nice appearing and particularly refined in his activities. He has the spark of poetry—naturally.

The following, which he calls "The Most Beautiful of All" has a purpose in it, while seemingly somewhat disconnected in thought. The lines, some of them, are pretty, and he reads them prettier yet. With much reading of the proper kind he will do something great. It will be noted that he rhymes sometimes and sometimes he doesn't. But it's the lines that point to what the little boy may be.

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The Most Beautiful of All—Indianapolis.

(By Willie Linden.)

The clouds were shining in the west,
With the clouds around her breast,
Looking like a crowned monarch,
And she felt so in her heart.

And the golden clouds around her,
To which she never gave a sneer,
Seemed to give a golden hue
To her beauty through and through.

But at last she fades away,
And soon after fades the day.
And the moon in silent splendor
Comes to be the sun's defender.

While the moon stands there on duty,
Standing there in all her beauty,
A large comet shoots across her path,
Giving her a fiery bath.

But the most beautiful of all
Is the God who reigns summer, spring, winter and fall.
Let us praise His holy name,
For to earth our Jesus came.

Not to win Himself a name,
But to save the earth from shame.
So let none of us fear the rod,
For the righteous shall see God.

LINES TO A SOUTHERN MAMMY.

(By Salem Tutt Whitney.)

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Who can behold thy wrinkled face,
Where many years have left their trace,
Ard fail, a lesson there to see,
In patience, faith, humility?
Aye, and such courage, too,
As the mighty conquerers never knew,
Is mirrored on thy countenance,
And reflected by thy fearless glance.
What warrior brave, to history known,
Had seen his loved, his very own,
Ruthlessly from his bosom torn,
Left childless, homeless and forlorn,
Through many weary years to plod,
And never lost his faith in God?
No voice thou raised in loud lament;
No clamorous prayer for vengeance sent;
In silent grief and head bowed low,
Thou kissed the band that dealt the blow.
Nor thought thou to retaliate,
But bowed in silence to a fate
That willed that thou, thy bosom bare,
And let another suckle there,
The offspring of thine enemy,
Where thine own child had ought to be.
Nor greater love than this is known,
Thou loved the usurper as thine own.
Such love: O, thou blessed saint,
Had I the power I would paint
Thy face, that all the world might see,
And seeing, pattern after thee.
For thou art love personified.
By love thy life is glorified.
Thy love is like some beacon light
A wanderer welcomes in the night;
Its bright rays tell him somewhere near
Are life and hope and rest and cheer.
Thy love is like a mother bird,
That, when a danger note is heard,
Calls all her fledglings to her nest
And shelters them beneath her breast.
Unlearned art thou, yet wiser far
Than judge or lawyer at the bar.
Unused thy thoughts to speak aloud,
In mute communion with thy God,
He doth unto thee thus impart
The wisdom of an upright heart.
Dear noble soul, dear loving hands,
Thy life as an example stands.
And may thy memory honored be
In heart and home and history.
And when no more we'll see thy face,
A stone shall mark thy resting place,
Engraved: "To Mammy, loved and true,
Who did the very best she knew;
The embodiment of right and good,
A model for all womanhood."

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO.

Gold Leaf Company D. U. R. K. of P., will hold its regular meeting on February 13....Mrs. Wesley Williams is resting easier at this writing....Mr. C. F. Powell, of Cleveland, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stewart and friends last week....Mrs. Charles Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Ludt, of Myrtle avenue, were in Cleveland last week calling on friends.... Mrs. Anderson Victor, of East Federal street, is improving after four weeks of illness....Mrs. Thomas Lonesome was not so well at this writing....The Coleridge Taylor Choral Society will give a concert for the benefit of St. Augustine Episcopal Mission Monday evening, February 3, in St. John's Episcopal church, Wick avenue....Mrs. Rev. Taylor remains about the same....Mr. and Mrs. Will Gardner and Mrs. Josephine Finney have been on the sick list....Thomas Lonesome, D. G. C. of K. P., went to Warren Thursday evening and installed the officers of McKinley Lodge....Thomas Bauber, of Marshall street, is improving....Miss Ada C. Brody and William Mossett, of Brownsville, Pa., were quietly married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Honesty, Foster street, Tuesday evening. After the ceremony a luncheon was served by the hostess. Misses Edna ohnson and L. Williams were bridesmaids. Those present were Mrs. Joe Hill, Mrs. Charles M. Reeves, Miss Mary Honesty, Mr. and Mrs. William Honesty. Rev. John Ogburn was the officiating minister. The couple left at 8:30 p. m. for Brownsville.

DULUTH, MINN.

Special to the Freeman.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Williams, 125 Palm street, entertained Friday evening at an informal dancing party in Kalamazoo hall, introducing their daughters, Maceola and Lucile. A feature of the evening was a missing word contest on notable musicians. Miss Anna Colby won the prize. A new Spanish dance was given by Mr. and Mrs. George Adams. Those present wese as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Posey, Mr. and Mrs. George Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Coles, Mr. and Mrs. John Mobley, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel McNeil, Mr. and rs. Charles Black, Mr. Jas. Black, Mrs. Foster Byrd, Mrs. W. B. Richardson, Mrs. Joe Glenn, Mrs. Anna Williams, Misses Elnora Rhodney, Marguerite Black, Ethel Black, Marguerite Williams, Mary Byrd, Georgia Richey, D. Holden, Anna Colby, Lillian Perry, Blanch Black, Zanie Taylor, Zella Glenn, Messrs. Eugene McCoy, Eugene Waters, Roscoe Miller, Earl Smith, Willie Black, Eugene Watts, Fieldon Watts, Wellington Glenn, Wallace Rhodney and George E. Steele.... Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Merry, 714 East Fourth, were surprised by a number of their friends Friday evening. Musical numbers served as entertainment for the guests, and refreshments were served. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Shelton, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Watts, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Colby, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Glenn, Mr. and Mrs. George Glenn, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Newsome, and Mr. and Mrs. Stephen H. Coles....Mrs. Eugene Watts, 915 East Sixth street, entertained at a farewell luncheon in honor of Mrs. Rogers, of Chicago, Ill., who has been the guest of Mrs. Louise Bryant, 829 East Fifth street, for several weeks. Those present were Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. Louise Bryant and drand-daughter, Mrs. W. F. Maupins and Mrs. Charles Colby.

JACKSON, TENN.

The Bachelor Club entertained Thursday evening, January 30, in honor of Miss Lillian Hamilton, who is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Trimble on Hale street. She will leave soon for her home in South Carolina. The following are officers of the club: Mr. Robert Gibbs, Mr. O. W. Grigsby, Prof. C. T. Taylor and Dr. N. H. Fuller....The inauguration of the new C. M. E. pastor, Rev. Smythe, was well attended last Wednesday night. An excellent program was rendered. We are all glad to welcome Rev. Smythe, his estimable wife and son to our city....Mr. J. L. Lancaster, of Lancaster House, on Liberty street, left last Sunday night for Chicago....Mr. Marion Patterson is in Chicago attending to business....Dr. N. H. Fuller will leave Friday morning for Memphis, on business....The new high school of St. John neighboorhood has now opened with Prof. Jerry Anthony as principal. Prof. Harmon, Miss Nettie Grimes and Miss Clara Brown also hold positions. ....Mr. James Stahl, who was for several years in the butcher business, died Tuesday, January 21, after a lingering illness of dropsy....Miss Maudie Ellison is recovering from a recent attack of mumps. ....Mr. Johnnie McDavid, of Mound, Ill., made a trip to this city last week.

GREENWOOD, MISS.

Notes from the Dandy Dixie Minstrels: We are now in the state of Mississippi and in spite of the inclement weather, business has been very fear. With a hearty welcome, we received our most competent bandmaster, R. J. Simmons, back from his Christmas vacation, from the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Simmons, of Humboldt, Tenn.

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At any rate, the automobile is no respecter of persons.

February is living up to its reputation as the very coldest of months.

Everybody indorsed Fred Moore, of the New York Age, for the Liberian ministership, except Calvin B. Chase. He seems to have the chronic grouch.

The city stands for Sunday baseball. Just as well complete the job by opening up the theaters. Give the people what they want, is our theory of government.

Jesse Binga, the colored banker of Chicago, has become a member of the Illinois Bankers' Association, being the first of the race admitted to its membership. The vote for him was unanimous. Mr. Binga was made to understand that the association was too democratic, too broad, to draw the color line. This is a recognition, and worth while, by a pioneer colored banker of the North. He has made a good impression, and among those who readily know the meritorious along his line.

The new rule for crossing the streets got a lot of folks locked up this week, because they weren't on to the new "gag." The jail was filling up so rapidly that the city fathers gave rush orders to the police not to arrest the citizens unless they refused to obey. Had things continued as they started out, a new addition to the jail would have been needed. The new order relieved the situation, and things are as they were. Remember, however, that you must not jaw back at the police, or you will be in imminent danger.

The Twilight Club of New York recently announced that, after a canvass of three thousand representative Americans, the following are the most socially useful citizens:

Jane Addams, Theodore Roosevelt, Thomas A. Edison, Judge Ben Lindsay, Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, J. P. Morgan, Dr. Simon Flexner, Booker T. Washington, Helen Gould, Eugene V. Debs, Mrs. Russell Sage, the Rev. Anna Shaw.

Some one a few years ago wrote a silly appearing song or some verses about a Negro always being in it. Not so silly, after all. The Negro manages to get in most everything. Vide our Booker T.

The Freeman calls for aid for the wife of S. Coleridge-Taylor, who is in need of funds to support her family. This paper says that recitals throughout the country will get the needed funds. We are sure The Livingstone would contribute her share to such a recital.—The Livingstone, Salisbury, N. C.

The plea was not made to The Freeman; it was made to Dr. Booker T. Washington. We took it up at once, thinking that the Negroes of America would gladly assist the widow of the late lamented Coleridge-Taylor. We suggested recitals in our many communities, with the object of turning the proceeds to the widow. There is a disposition to help, but no one has taken the initiative. What has Mr. Washington to say?

Representative Roddenberg, of Georgia, was astride his hobby last week. He is most strenuously opposed to the intermarriage of certain races. He has selected Negroes and Chinese as his butt of attack. He asks the House of Representatives to keep these from the white folks. Well, it seems to us that the white folks might manage their own marital affairs. Roddenberg made his own selection, and now he means to dictate whom others shall have. If the "niggers" and "chinks" are too low for association, those coming in contact with them will know it best. They will not need guardians to warn them, to say the least. Our government is growing paternal enough, without taking on a thing with which it has no concern. One set of men has no right to dictate to another set what they shall or shall not do, unless they themselves are included. Such laws will be obeyed when there's nothing else to do. They would not be laws; they would be insults. Insults are to be resented when possible. We are opposed to intermarriage of Negroes and white people because of the known opposing sentiment. We are opposed to laws saying as much, because, as said before, they are insults and not laws.

FIXING THE PRESIDENTIAL TERM.

The United States Senate has passed a measure by which the presidential term is extended to six years and limited to one term. This is in accord with a sentiment that has been growing for years. Perhaps it would have remained merely as sentiment for many years, had it not been for the well-known activities of Theodore Roosevelt, who, in his insistence that the people rule, thought to put aside the honored custom of the possible two terms of four years each.

The theory of popular government is all right, meaning that the people have what they want, when the people actually want something. It does not mean leading them against their better judgments by those who are in position to do so. Woodrow Wilson, president-elect, is very popular at this time. He is thought to be of excellent judgment, of great qualities, heart and head. Many men will swear by him, owing to what he is, or what they think he is. In an hour of undue ambition he could play havoc with our theories of government—that is, after he has become thoroughly established as a dependable leader. An idol once made is very difficult to undo. Such individuals can fly in the face of the usages of years, may assail fundamental laws, carrying by assault the very foundation of government, and supported by the theory that what's being done is the will of the people. Furthermore, we cannot get away from the fact that it is the will of the people. But it is like the "desire" of sick men who have been unduly influenced, a sort of duress which they are willing to deny and denounce when at their better selves.

History is full of incidents where the people boiled over, wrought against their better judgments, and who, in the calm of after years, admitted their mistakes.

The presidential term of six years is ideal, a thing discovered out of our experiences. The executive has come to be more than simply a dispenser of jobs. He needs his time for the increasing dignity and importance of his office rather than building up a machine for his own succession. As it is now the President gets just about eighteen months or two years of comparative quiet, when he must again be off for the "war." In event the Senate measure becomes law, he will not find it necessary to build up his fences. He will not find it necessary to gallop over the country in self-defense or for a campaign of invasion, thus the President and the dignity of the office will be more nearly related—will, in fact, be one.

DALLAS, TEXAS.

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Special to THE FREEMAN.

The officers, members and friends of St. Paul M. E. church, corner Burford and Juliett streets, are rushing the church edifice to completion on a cash basis. They have planned several high-class entertainments to assist financially..Mrs. George A. Mayes, 2115 Clark street, entertained the members of the Phylis Wheatley Club last Thursday afternoon to a six-course luncheon. Topics of importance about the church as a builder of higher morals were discussed and will be continued for several meetings to come....Shines, oils and up-to-date dyeing, any colors. Shines that last. Superior work, by first-class polishers, 2210 Main street. Daddy Chas. Walker, proprietor....We want your work. We do everything needed to be done to ladies' and gents' clothes. Cleaning, repairing and pressing, and making new garments. Phone Main 7561. 2210 Main street. Carter and Brown, proprietors...Mr. I. H. Terrell, of Paris, spent several days here, the guest of relatives and friends, during the past week....Mr. Fred Washington is managing the bar at 3706 Elm street, where his friends can call day or night....Mr. Jim Crittendon has recently moved his pressing club in the Lowery building on Jackson street, up stairs, where he has more room....Mr. Augustus Howell, of the grocery firm of Howell Brothers, and Miss Laura Lightner were married at their new home, corner English and Munger avenues, Monday night, in the presence of a large number of their most intimate friends, who wish them smooth sailing on the matrimonial seas. Loads of valuable and useful presents were given them....Quite a crowd of Dallas' young men and ladies journeyed to Waxahachie Thursday night of the past week and were wined and dined in elegant style. All report an enjoyable time. Messrs. George Lee Johnson, Jerome Smith, Ed Love and others were the moving spirits of the gathering..Ten little children were taken into the tent department of the Knights and daughters of Tabor last Saturday afternoon. Western Beauty Juveniles is progressing. Mrs. Mattie Baker is one of the lights that is gathering these little ones together weekly....The various Knights of Pythias lodges have been engaging the time of their members in the installation of officers during this and the past week. Several of these officers who have served their constituents so well were told to bring their wives, best girls and Calanthas with them, and a jovial time was had for two weeks....Mrs. James Eiley, of Palestine, who recently joined her husband here, will remain and they are residing at the corner of Buford and Flora streets..Little Clarence McIntosh, a caddy on the golf links at the country club, was run over while in the discharge of his duty, on Thursday of last week, and he is now laid up for a time at the home of his mother, 3103 Cochran street. It was a miraculous escape for the lad, as no bones were broken. It is the fond hope of relatives and friends that he will soon resume his work, as he is a great help to his widowed mother and four brothers and sisters, all small, whom he is helping to support with his earnings..General John L. Jones, brigadier of the Texas Knights of Pythias uniform rank, with headquarters here, is pushing the members of his staff and each officer under his command to do their full duty to their men, which will assist in the material welfare of the uniform rank in bring the companies up to where they should long ago have been, instead of just a show in uniform and no discipline or military bearing to back it up. The general wants system and business in each department and that will build our department and increase its muster rolls. Will you lodges help. The reporter and news correspondent wishes to apoligize for several items that were left out a few weeks ago, and hopes that the same will never happen again. We are in the field to publish items of interest all the time. If you doubt it just ask all the ladies and gentlement in Dallas about the Dallas department and they will tell you it has certainly all the news in the metropolis, and if you haven't it you ought to have it. Pay for and read The Freeman....Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Mayes entertained several of their friends and their families and club members Monday afternoon and evening, February 3, at 1212 Dey street, when enjoyment reigned supreme, and enjoyment was the chief topic discussed....We sympathize with the relatives and friends who lost their loved ones by death during the past week here....The young folks' tackey party given at the residence of Miss Martha Watson, corner Cochran and Ball streets, was much enjoyed....Mrs. J. O. Allen, of Texarkana, Ark., returned to her home after spending several weeks here, visiting her son, Mr. Griffin Allen, 2916 Cochran street....The Carnation Art Club was organized January 4th. The special work is sewing and embroidering art work. Meets every Monday evening. It consists of fourteen young society ladies of Dallas. The officers are Miss Julia Hefflin, president; Mrs. Lily Watson, secretary; Miss Clarenda Coleman, treasurer. 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DEATHS OF PROMINENT PEOPLE.

Tom West—Mrs. Lula Hall Boone—Falls City Medical Association—The Ohio Theater.

(By Lee L. Brown, 1006 West Chestnut Street.)

Mr. Tom West, of West Kentucky street, died Tuesday morning. Mr. West was a well-known citizen of Louisville. He leaves a wife, daughter, Harriet West Jordan, and a host of friends to mourn his loss. The funeral services were held at the residence of his daughter, Wednesday.

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Mrs. Emma Reed, a well-known lady of this city, died Sunday at 4:30 at the residence of Col. Johnson (white), on Second street. The funeral services were held at Quinn Chapel church Tuesday afternoon.

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The union revival at Quinn Chapel is drawing large crowds and will continue all this week.

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Mrs. Lula Hall Boone, after an illness of several months, died at the family residence, 831 Hancock street, Wednesday morning, January 22, and was buried from the Green Street Baptist church, of which she was a member, Friday afternoon, when a large number of friends gathered to pay a last sad tribute of respect to her memory. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. H. W. Jones, assisted by Rev. C. C. Bates.

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Recently a white policeman, in full uniform, killed another white man while on duty. The jury handed down last week a verdict of $100 fine. Immediately all of the daily papers made a great howl, even the prosecuting attorney was disgusted at the court's decision. So strange that our daily papers failed to tak enote of the brutal murder by another officer last year, who murdered a colored man on South Seventh street. The man's name was Smith. Nothing was ever said in the editorial columns of our daily papers.

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The colored physicians of Louisville are making strenuous efforts to have colored nurses and internes in the new million dollar hospital in course of erection.

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Quite a number of receptions and dances have been given during the past week.

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Mr. Rufus S. Stout, president of the Inter State Industrial College, located in Texarkana, Ark., is sojourning in the city for a few days in the interest of his work.

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Miss Georgia Moore, one of Louisville's best teachers, has been selected to take charge of the new School for Incorrigibles. No better selection could have been made by the superintendent. Miss Moore will bring results.

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The Falls City Medical Association met Tuesday night at the residence of Dr. E. D. Whedbee. Quite an enjoyable time was enjoyed by the many physicians who gathered. Lunch was served and many interesting topics were discussed. Recently Dr. Pindar Flack, one of our leading colored surgeons, performed a most remarkable operation, and one which so far had never been heard of in the medical world.

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We received a letter this week from Willie Frank Williams, of Valdosta, Ga. He is the young man who had the patience to get out a full-fledged paper by hand. Young Williams is now attending college in Atlanta, Ga. He is associated with Editor W. J. Lowery, of the Southern Life Magazine. This young journalist will be heard from ere long as one of the leading journalists in the country. We wish him great success in his travel toward the topmost round.

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Prof. W. B. Matthews, principal of the high school, is making good.

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Miss Elizabeth Inez Finney, assistant librarian, who has been on the sick list on account of her eyes, is able to be at her post again.

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With Dutch Gardner serving as a private citizen, Walnut street seems quiet. We hope that a few more of the Louisvill police will decide to resign.

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The Olio theater is about to stage a new play, by Mr. A. H. Graham, a local writer. Your correspondent had a chance to read this play, as it fell to our lot to typewrite the original copy. We will call off our war horses if the management of the Olio has really decided to stage first-class shows like the one he is about to stage. Your correspondent will visit the Olio during the week and see for himself this new comedy, which we feel safe in saying, if produced as written, is worth going to see. We take our hats off to you, Mr. Hogan, in this new change for the good. Keep it up and our hot shot will turn to words of praise.

VAL P. MITCHEM, OF BENTON HARBOR, MICH.

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Val P. Mitchem, of Benton Harbor, Mich., recently closed an important deal, whereby he came in possession of a valuable piece of property at the corner of Empire avenue and Broadway.

According to Mr. Mitchem's plans the place will be converted into a fashionable summer resort for colored people. Early in the spring he will begin the necessary improvements. He will have a large building of fifty guest rooms. These rooms will be models of convenience and fittingly beautiful. A dance and amusement hall will be added, thus insuring all features incident to well conducted resorts.

Mr. Mitchem is a chef; he has had twenty-one years of experience in the best hotels, consequently he is prepared to meet the demands of a first-class watering place. He will be ably assisted by his wife who is also known for her culinary excellence.

SOCIAL CIRCLE IN CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE.

Mt. City Dancing Class entertained last Tuesday evening with a grand banquet at the new Masonic Temple. About fifty couples were present and had an enjoyable time. They also secured the Southern Quartet to sing between dances. The punch was served by Mr. Green Scruggs. Mr. James Isom, the president, and Mr. Edgar Mabley, vice-president, always wear smiles, and send regards to all friends.

BLOOMINGTON, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Elite Thimble Club gave a concert at the Third Christian church on January 30: It was a grand success and largely attended.....The Rev. George Hoagland has returned home from his trip South. He visited Nashville, Tenn., Louisville, Ky., and smaller places. He is very much impressed iwth the South and the progress of the Negro, and his trip was a pleasure as well as being instructive....Miss Mabel Hawkins was hostess for the Elite Thimble Club last Thursday evening. All had a fine time......Lieutenant Witherspoon remains about the same, and is very ill....C. E. Jackson is in our city for a few days, but will return to Rockford, Ill., where he will open a place of business....The C. A. & T. C. gave their first annual ball at the Coliseum last Thursday evening. There was a large crowd from out of town and indeed it was a grand success all the way round. Music was furnished by Johnson's orchestra of Champaign, Ill. Everybody had a delightful time.

SHEFFIELD, ALA.

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. Charles Wallace, who was an employe at the Sheffield hotel as fireman, died very suddenly in his room Thursday, January 23. He leaves a wife and one child to mourn their loss....Mr. Henry Taylor lost his house by fire on Friday morning. The only thing saved was two trunks. His residence was on Furnace Hill....Mr. J. H. Lovelace, of this city, has returned home from Columbia, Tenn., where he spent several weeks with relatives....Mrs. John Knowles and Mrs. E. Robinson spent Sunday in Florence.

IRONDALE, OHIO.

(By Peck Pennington.)

Miss Catherine Johnson, of Wellville, O., spent the past week here the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Foster Robson....Mr. Sam Pennington was on the sick list last week, but is improving......Mr. Earnest Pennington and Doc Hogdson have some new skating tricks they showed on the ice pond Saturday.....H. P. Roy says he is not the Lord, but he can walk some on hard water.....Mr. Carl Kates left for Stubbsville on Sunday....From the looks of the weather here, the groundhog seen something Sunday.........Get your paper early. Get it at Peck's pressing shop, for you won't have all night long.

CENTRALIA, ILL.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. Offord went to St. Louis, Mo., on Thursday of last week to visit their daughter, Mrs. Carrie McCord. Mr. Offord returned home on Friday, but Mrs. Offord concluded to stay an indefinite time with her daughter....Mrs. L. Dobbin is on the sick list....Mr. F. Lowery, our leading carpenter, is now employed in the Illinois Central railroad shops....Mr. John Mitchell has resigned his position as foreman in the Illinois Central railroad shop, and has accepted a position with the Mattisan Coal company, as an electrician....Vallsum and Brock's store is doing a big business. They invite and treat all alike. They say everybody is doing it, and why not they..Miss C. Cash went to St. Louis, Mo., on Thursday, February 6, to visit relatives and friends....Mrs. Cross and daughter returned home from Mounds, Ill., where they have been visiting friends....Mr. Mose Dasis, who worked at the Illinois Central shops, returned home to Mounds, Ill., on account of bein gon the sick list....Mr. Trancy is hostler at the C. & B. railroad shops here....Mrs. W. H. Lewis is on the sick list.

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HOT SPRINGS. ARK.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Things are beginning to look pretty lively in the Vapor City as the season progresses. Visitors are coming in from all parts of the country. I think this will be the banner season of them all. With Mr. D. H. Boone as headwaiter; James Edward, second waiter; H. F. Foster, secretary; H. Q. Johnson, captain watch No. 1; Robert Whitney, captain No. 2; O. M. Page, head private waiter; W. C. Conkling, head linen man, and a select crew of forty waiters, we are giving the best of satisfaction at the Majestic hotel. The Eastman hotel opened February 1, with the following officers in the American plan dining room: L. A. Walker, headwaiter; C. C. Pruitt, second waiter; Thos. Hopkin, third waiter; J. B. Watson, secretary; Geo. Payne, captain No. 1; W. M. Wilson, captain No. 2, and forty first-class waiters composin gthe crew....Mr. Will Acre, headwaiter at the Arlington, who is ably assisted by C. E. Wilson, second waiter; Solomon Young ,third waiter; two captains and a well-trained crew of waiters, is giving the best of satisfaction at that institution......Mr. L. H. Williams, formerly headwaiter at the Majestic hotel in this city, is spending an indefinite period in San Antonio and other points in Texas for the benefit of his health....Among some of the late arrivals in the Vapor City for the season are Messrs. H. G. Koen and J. R. Thornton, of Memphis, Tenn.; Joe Taylor and A. Cartwright, of Ft. Smith; J. H. Rector, of Dallas, Tex.; Geo. Lewis and Jasper Hubbard, of Malvern, Ark.; H. A. Jones, Dallas, Tex.; Jas. Smith, of Crossett, Ark.; Otto F. Martin, Alton, Ill.; Jeppie Peel, Paris, Tex, and W. L. Johnson, Omaha....Subscribe for The Freeman, a popular Negro journal, 5 cents per copy. H. F. Foster, agent.

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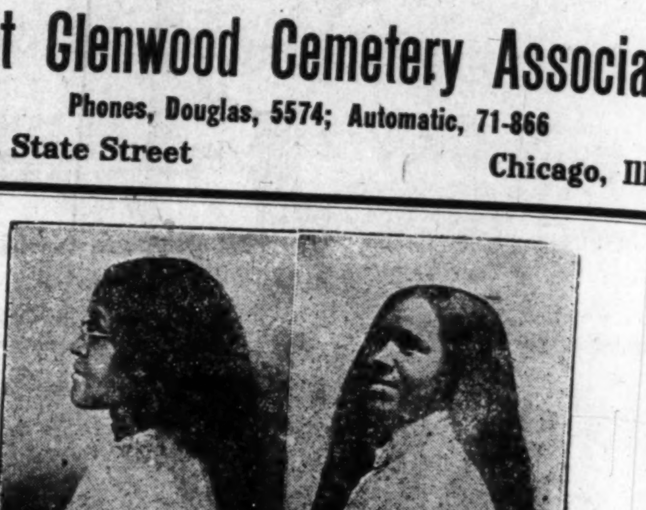

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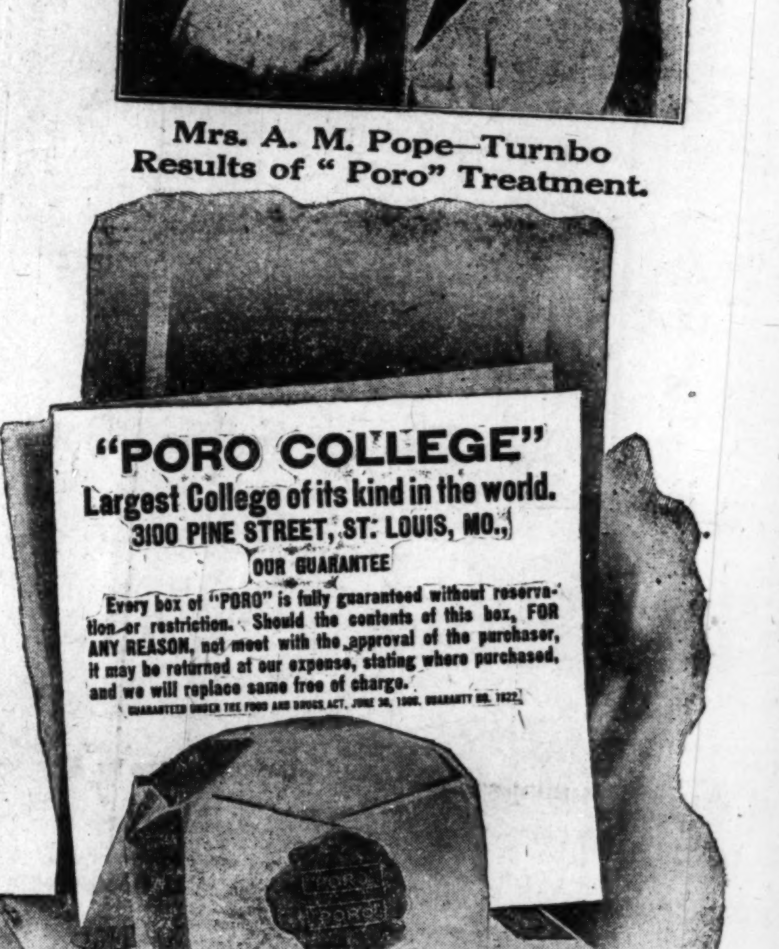

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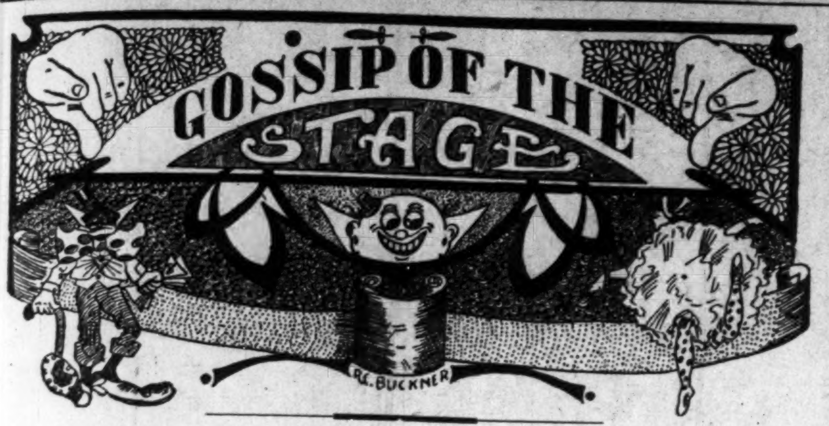

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STAGE NOTES.

Robert Joplin is playing the East and Canada. Been playing New York state.

Malloy and Malloy at Dudley's Theater, Washington, D. C., this week, February 3.

The Rex Theater is open with Vaudeville under new management at Durham, N. C.

John E. Cooper, tramp magician, is playing Jacksonville, Fla. His address is 426 Jackson street.

Gaines and Brown played Westfield, Mass., Februray 3, 4, 5; North Hampton 6, 7, 8, United time.

Leon, magician and ventriloquist, is at Jacksonville, Fla., for a few days. Address 62 Estelle street.

Sandy Burns' Stock Company at the Alcazar theater, Galveston, Tex., is said to be one of the best in Texas.

Allen and Morton have been a riot at the Howard Theater, Washington, D. C., for two weeks. At the Fairyland this week, Philadelphia to follow.

The Benbow Trio open in Atlanta, Ga., on the L. D. Joel circuit, January 27, making good. The act is said to be one of the best trio acts seen in Atlanta.

Stovall and Stovall opened at St. Louis this week, at the Booker T. Washington Annex theater. Act making it all right. Taking bows nightly. Miss Stovall won 'em at once with her pretty face and sweet voice.

Lillian Garay and boys open two weeks at the Congress Cafe, Chicago, February 3 to 16. Garay has a nice, neat act, full of ginger and always working. Regards to friends. Would like to hear from Mable Heard, also George Barrett.

Happy Simpson, the Jolly Tramp, barrel jumper and acrobat, dislocated his right knee cap four weeks ago in missing a jump into a barrel. After four weeks under the doctor's care he is again well and able to continue work.

Mr. Buckner, of Buckner and Buckner, after a two months' llness ni Nashville, Tenn., at his wife's home, opened at the Metropolitan Theater, Memphis, and after two weeks of success there opened for C. P. Baley, 81 DaCarter street, Atlanta, Ga.

Edwin Jackson, better known as "Jack," the sensational snare drummer of St. Louis, Mo., late of the J. H. Boyer Fashion Plate Minstrels says that he will not "hit the grit" this summer. "Jack" is a young man of good business qualities and also a "crack" drummer, and is liked by all professional people for his jolly disposition. We hope he may change his mind about the "road," although he has declined several offers from different managements.

MRS. ELIZABETH HUDDLESON

Passed Away—Was a Member of "Harmony Four," Toledo, O.

Mrs. Elizabeth Huddleson, of the Kentucky Harmony Four, en route with the White Slave Co., died suddenly Saturday night after the performance. Mr. A. L. Huddleson, husband of deceased, will take the remains to Topeka, Kan., for burial, leaving Toledo at 6:30 p. m., Sunday, over the Clover Leaf Route.

CIRCLE THEATER, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

With five good acts gives the best performance in several weeks.

Archie Jones and wife, fresh from Kentucky, opened the shoy with accent on the opened. Mr. Jones had what they wanted and kept the audience screaming. Their "Drea mGlide" dance, the closing number, came in for seevral encores. Mrs. Jones' expression and a pair of wonderful eyes, helped the act very much. Billy Ward, the Black Dockstader, opened and closed amid rounds of applause. Same old Billy. Seems to improve with age. Joe and Lena Henderson, in the cleverest sketch imaginable, fairly made things hum. The Irish singing of Miss Lena is a feature. Grotesque cake dancing was an act by its self. Henderson is a good singer, dancer and eccentric comedian, whose original antics convulse the audience. They ran off with the bill. Robinson and Randall, Chicago boys, left not an opening in making this the strongest bill in town. All their material went nicely and the songs stood out. Their closing, "The Pussy Cat Rag," was new here and was a big success. The act will undoubtedly play all the good time before returning West.

Minstrel Morris.

The only real colored comedy juggler ever witnessed East, did a great act, a sort of combination. I can't tell which was the better, the monologue or the dexterity. Mr. Morris is a real artist and should steer for the better houses.

DALLAS, TEX.

Park Theater.

The McDaniel Stock Company is still the scream of Dallas, playing to crowded houses when the weather will permit. O. H. McDaniels, the leading man, in a "Fight for Life," surely describes the life of a man hounded by the law. It appeals to each and every one. The applause he receives shows that the theatergoers love and appreciate real drama, for he is some producer and manager. The only real one in the South producing real polite and moral plays, taken from life. May success follow this man, for he is sober and a cultured gentleman. Sanford and Sanford are doing nicely. Edwards and Edwards are getting good applause. Robert M. Ford, lately of the Standard at Fort Worth, is bringing the house down, receiving great applause. He surely is some singer and soloist. Lovey Whitman, as Strawberry Pete, is doing great work; a very clever artist. Harry Fields, the Kansas City young man, is doing nicely. But he still thinks K. C., Mo., the best place. Mrs. Harris, our leading lady, is doing nicely; she is a nice singer. Monday, February3, "The Convict's Mother." Regards to all friends.

SOME OBSERVATIONS OF THE STAGE.

(By Charles D. Marshall.)

The coming of Paul D. Langford, Mrs. Louise McPheeters and Miss Margaret L. Adams, better known as the three Langfords, to the Crown Garden Theater, brings to mind a family of real artists. In these parts few theater-goers have any knowledge of this famous family. However, the Langfords have always been a talented set. Perhaps there has never been a greater minstrel than "Kid" Langford in his day, or you might say few equaled him as a comedian at any time during his short career. But his place has recently been well taken by his brother, Mr. Paul D. Langford, or, as he is known to the profession, as Pickdoo Langford. Mr. Langford, in his first appearance here, both in stock and team work, shows himself to be one of the best all around comedians of the younger set. He has a strong, good sounding voice and a complete knowledge of thought and action in comedy. He is to rank with the best later on, but not now, for he has just started. What points to his success to come is his ambitious mind that is always willing to try to give the public his best. He labors hard to please his audience and generally succeeds. The wife and sister of Mr. Langford who assume the stage name of Miss Margaret L. Adams and Miss Louisa McPheeters, make up an exceptionally clever trio, who are now rehearsing a new well-written vaudeville sketch entitled "My Friend from Bam," with the cast as follows: Pickdoo ,the royal coon, P. D. Langford; Torch Light, Miss L. M. Langford; Pickdoo's wife, Margaret Adams. The following song numbers will be used: "Its All Gone Now," "His Name Is Ephraham Johnson Brown" and "Need No Introduction."

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Prof. T. L. P. H. Davis, the famous dramatic baritone soloist, is receiving storms of applause singing the latest classic melodies at the Oriole Theater this week. The Oriole Theater is considered to be one of the best houses in town. Mr. Davis has succeeded in overruling the plan of entertaining to please his audience without rendering ragtime.

THE NEW CROWN GARDEN.

Offered its patrons one of the biggest and best laughing shows of the season, notwithstanding the different kinds of weather we are having. The Crown is still doing its average winter business.

Tim Owsley, the "Wizard," as he is ofttimes called, has proven that he is indeed the man who knows when and what to do when it comes to pleasing the people at the right time. As a rule when colored men offer their race something they find many things to impede their progress by members of their own race, but Mr. E. C. Knox and Tim E. Owsley have put their heads together with the determination to succeed. And with the show knowledge of Tim the Wizard, and the business knowledge of Mr. Elwood C. Knox, I must say these two men are succeeding. Tabloid stock is now being offered to the Crown patrons, and the shows are the kind that make you like it. Mr. Owsley, the legitimate actor-comedian and manager, has returned to the stage and is writing and producing new material as well as acting the same. And as everyone knows what Tim can do with the combined efforts of ten other good people, it is easy to guess the success which attends the efforts of such a man. Mr. Knox is all smiles, and you can't blame him. With such a partner in business as Tim the reward is bound to come.

Brown and Brown.

Is the main feature in the vaudeville part of the show this week, and are one big hit. They return to us with new songs, dances and funny sayings.

Marie DeVerie.

A white singing soubrette, did very nicely. This is the first white act we have seen in this house for some time.

The Tabloid Stock is composed of the following members: Mr. Howard Kelly and Mrs. Kelly, Mr. Paul Langford and May Langford, Mr. John Gertrude, Miss Ursel Barnette, Miss Olivie Langford, Miss Ethel Barnette and others.

The big song hits this week are: "Somebody Else is Gettin' It," by Mr. Kelly and company; "I Do As Much For You," by Miss Ursel Barnette, and the "Wise Old Owl" by company, and "Ohio," by Langford and Langford.

Mr. Owsley reproduced "In Hell For Twenty Minutes," in a new way which sent the audience home full of laughter. Mr. John Gertrude, as the Devil, showed great oratorical ability. Mrs. Kelly, as Miss Society, acted her part nicely. Mr. Kelly, as Bad Bill Jones, showed us in true style how to be bad. Miss Ursel Barnette, as the Devil's favorite imp, played her part as it should be played. Miss Olivia Langford, as the twin imp of Hades, likewise played her part well. Tim Owsley, as Jasper, did what we all know he can do, make you laugh and then laugh some more. As the Crown advertises—What it takes to make a show we always have—I think they are right. By J.

AT THE WASHINGTON, D. C., THEATERS.

Blue Mouse.

Price and Taylor did well in songs and dance, featuring the song "A Do Right Woman," to a satisfied audience. Three reels of pictures closed a very good bill to good crowds at Manager Green's house.

Foraker.

Lillian Bradford went good in songs, playing to usual large crowds at Foraker. Three reels of pictures close bill.

Fairyland.

Sanifer and CSanifer cleaning up and soon sang and danced themselves into favor, featuring their song, "The Big Sen-Sation." Usual run of pictures. Same big crodws.

Chelsa.

Malloy and Malloy in songs and dance. Fair, although not best bill seen at this house. Manager Gentry still had out his S. R. O. sign and was packing them and wore a broad smile. Three reels of pictures close an ordinary bill, not up to the usual standard for this house, yet Manager Gentry keeps his playhouse as popular as ever.

THE MAJESTIC THEATER. COLUMBIA, MO.

The Majestic theater patrons were highly entertained last week by the team of Hanze & Hanze. The management has decided to hold them over for another week. They have an act which should make good in any house. Mr. Hanze, as a monologuist, is a top notcher, and the audiences say that he is one of the greatest prevaricators they ever heard, which isn't giving Mr. Hanze credit that is due him, they should have spoken it more emphatically, and said plain l———. Business still continues fair, considering the inclement weather. The management would be glad to hear from acts at all times. Acts playing Kansas City and St. Louis, will save railroad fare by playing our theater. The Thornton Big City Trio disbanded in Columbia on account of the girls having to go home, and Cherokee Thornton and Willie Owen have joined hands and should frame up a good act, as they are both good performers.

NEW YORK NOTES.

(By the Owl.)

Lincoln Theater.

Last week's bill opened with Riggs and Ganby, who went big. Miss Laura Tyler, quite a nice singer and dancer, did well and was booked for a week. Fields and Wilson were fair. The Original Ethiopian Comedy Four was a scream. Miss Nellie Belmore, white, was also well received. The Carter Trio returned and renewed their former reputation. The Stewart Brothers will always be favorites on 135th street. Their act goes bigger each time they appear. This house promises their audiences another big bill this coming week.

Crescent Theater.

Prof. Gasito and Mr. Henrico, as the Hindoo mysteries, a great novelty act, was the feature at this theater all week. Their work was mystifying. They kept the audience wondering how they did it. Some of the best tricks ever seen done by them. Their trunk trick started everyone talking, as it was different from the others that we have so often seen, and their water tank trick was great. Toots Davis, late of the Dixielanders, is some dancer. Jules Levy Family, musical, more than pleased. Gulfport came back stronger than ever. From the line-up of next week's bill, we will see another good show all week.

Family Theater.

The Denslows opened up here big. Tatten and Lee made quite a hit. The Muses in a one-act sketch was a big hit. Capers and Armstrong were closed. Miss Ethel Williams did nicely. Toliver and Chappelle have a refined up-to-date act, in Mexican characters, then Indian squaws. These people have one great act, but it didn't catch that audience nearly as good as it should. Their finish should have been one loud blast of applause, but it was not. Such aidiences disgust and discourage. a good No. 1 act like that, and these people worked very hard, too. Well, don't get discouraged. You have the act, that's a cinch.

Pioneer Theater.

At this house all of week before last the bill was good. Last week they advertised from the stage an act called the Palace of Flames, Zacconi Italy's foremost tragedian; this was a great picture. The show opened with Kelly and Rhodes in their soldier act, which was good. Nuget and White were a big hit here to. The management promises to have something great all next week.

Franklin Theater.

I saw a good bicycle act, which opened this bill. The Bradfords worked one show. Pennell and ePnnell, another very good act, got by nicely. Then came the Toliver Trio, the name alone mentioned is enough. This is some act, and closed the bill.

Marshall and Tribble left Sunday for Boston. They are on the United time.

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Billy Percell went big last half, closing the bill at Keeney's Third Avenue theater, New York City.

Toliver and Chappelle, Kingston, N. Y., February 3, 4 and 5.

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Moore's Minstrels closed last week for unknown reasons.

HOUSELEY AND NICOLAS AT THE GRAND THEATER

Hit of the Evening—Interesting Items Along the "Stroll."

The Grand Theater.

CHICAGO, ILL., Feb. 5 (Special).

A great big bill was at the Grand theater last week, the last half especially. It was amusing, interesting and entertaining from beginning to end. The opening was a very heavy number, with Laddie Hale, the juvenile violinist, playing Poet and Peasant overture and ragtime melodies. It was followed by Lewis and Dunn, who did such a good comedy singing act, with fresh and up-to-date jokes. Nick Copeland's Five Lunatics, in a school act, was a "scream" of laughter throughout. But the number that was the hit of the evening was Houseley and Nicholas in their musical act. This is the third time they have been here this year and the way the audiences applauded one would think it was their first time. To say the act was good is putting it mildly; was distinctly a hit. Nicholas is just funny enough to give the act real class, and the "handsome" Matt Houseley is just swell enough with his costume and artistic performance upon brass instruments to make the house go wild with cheers. They are a good drawing card and the billing of this act is another evidence that as long as colored acts are good, Mr. Bra[illegible]on will book them. Let's have more of them. The bill is closed with the Pek[illegible] Zouaves, lightning drill corps of the world. They do many fancy turns while the captain blows a whistle and close the act with scaling a wall, a sensational "stunt." The first of this week's bill includes Doolittle and Steele, in a comedy, talking and podeling act; Wilson and L[illegible]ore in a singing and dancing act; a drama entitled "The Confession"; Ryan and Lee ,singing and novelty and Kink Bolo and oriental musical comedy.

The Monogram.

Vaughn and Vaughn open the bill on Monday night but did not elicit much applause. White acts don't take well among colored audiences if they are not the real thing. However, Miss Goldie Crosby, who was handsomely gowned won continuous applause by singing "Oh, What a Night." When she sang "Mechanical Loving Man" the audience roared and happier still when she sang "Row, Row, Row." Cumby and Fletcher was another excellent number. Cumby is always funny and a good dancer. His partner, Miss Fletcher, was exceedingly agile when she sang "Do It Just a Little Bit More." She is "sure some lively." Cumby sings Mr. "Burt" Williams' latest success, "My Landlady." The act closes with good dancing. The Victoria Trio, opening with "Navigating Coon," and Miss Pankey, who wears a handsome gown sings "Caretia." This is the second week for the trio.

The Lux.

Mr. Zulawski is the manager of this nuew theater, which is located at Thirty-fifth and Michigan avenue. It is one of the prettiest theaters on the South Side. There are special features every night, two acts and five reels of motion pictures. There are 800 seats on the main floor. No arches, and everything is sanitary and colroed citizens are welcome.

"I Should Worrk" is the title of the new song by Alfred Anderson and Joe Jordan. The song is on the press and will be issued in a few days.

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The Amateur Minstrel held a good rehearsal at the K. of P. hall on Wednesday night of this week. Their entertainment will be held on Easter Monday night at Oakland Music Hall.

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Mrs. Harrison will take the place of Mr. Dorsey at the Monogram theater, Mr. Dorsey accepting a position at Jones' Cabaret on Wabash avenue. Mr. Dorsey has been at the Monogram for four years and is one of the best musicians and composers in this section of the country.

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"Madme X" at Walnut Street Theater, Louisville, K.

(By Geo. Slaughter.)

The engagement of that well-known emotional actress, Eugenie Blair, is always a welcome event in theatrical circles in Louisville, but the interest taken in her forthcoming visit at the Walnut Street theater, starting with Sunday matinee, February 9, next, is doubled by the fact that she is to appear as Madame X, in Alexander Bisson's now famous drama of the same title. Never in all her career has Miss Blair had a better opportunity for the display of her talent. The role calls for just such an emotional and tempermantal actress as she, and gives her ample scope.

Her excellent work in "Zaza" and "The Kreutzer Sonata," gave evidence of still greater ability where the character called for it.

Of the play little can be said that has not heretofore been told. Few, if any, plays have received more publicity than "Madame X." Its popularity covers both continents. It is a powerful human play, but upon an everyday occurrence, a woman's first false step—what it leads to—and goes to prove the truth of that old proverb "The way of the transgressor is hard." The moral it teaches is far better understood than many sermons are.

Miss Blair is supported by an evenly balanced cast of capable players. The production is identical with that seen during the long runs of the play in New York, Chicago, Boston, Philadelphia, London, Paris and Berlin. Matinees will be given Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

EASTERN THEATRICAL NEWS.

(By Billy E. Jones.)

Billy E. Jones is featuring with great success the songs, "That Old Girl of Mine" and "If All My Dreams Were Made of Gold," on which he is receiving three and four encores.

Perry Bradford, of Bradford and Bradford, takes issue with the party writing under the name of The Old Owl in The Freeman, and states that the people in the West are being imposed upon by this would-be critic, who takes great pleasure in knocking acts superior to his own. Under the heading of The Old Owl, Mr. Bradford states he noticed a mention of his act while playing the Crescent theater, New York, recently, which was far different to that made by other critics, and he further states that he is personally acquainted with the writer, who would do well to take the kindly advice of a friend to stop foisting his ignorance on the public and try to secure legitimate work. The Bradfords have an act which always makes good.

Cook and Stevens are at Proctor's theater, Newark, N. J.

Sims and Thompson are playing at Jones' theater, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Karle Cook, the society entertainer and comedian, will leave New York for six weeks to travel through the South.

The punch that characterized Aida Overton Walker's former vaudeville offering is noticeably lacking in what she chooses to term her latest and best musical comedy. Miss Walker is as versatile and graceful as ever and the girls dance a little better than they sing. In the construction of the new vehicle some one slipped. Perhaps the absence of a man in the line-up marks the difference. Of the six numbers rendered "Bon Bon Buddy," held over from her former act, and used for the finale, proves the winner. Some new songs could be added to advantage, replacing those which fall short. The costumes were carefully selected and look well. The act consumes about twenty minutes.

Cooper and Robison this week at the Orpheum theater, Montreal, Canada.

I would like to state through this column to Mr. Perry Bradford that there has been a number of complaints made in regard to the criticism of acts by performers playing in New York City. Their grievance seems to apply to the writer who is writing under the name of The Old Owl.

Miss Laura Brown, the well-known pianist and vocalist, is playing at one of the picture houses in Brooklyn, and is doing nicely.

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LOUISVILLE, KY.

"High Life in Burlesque" at the Buckingham Theater.

(By George Slaughter.)

A large corps of clever comedians and a bevy of bewitching young girls will make the engagement of "High Life in Burlesque," at the Buckingham theater next week, the most attractive. As this season's new acquisition in the burlesque field, this attraction should prove quite a hit here. It is said to be one of the biggest of musical productions, and is worth seeing, as there is a lavish display of gorgeous scenery and beautiful costumes.

At the head of the big company is Pat White, the celebrated Irish comedian. He is aided in his funmaking efforts by a supporting company of talented players. There is not a dull moment throughout the entertainment. The musical numbers are new and highly diverting; they are of the tuneful variety and very catchy. Some of the exceptionally pretty selections are "That Tom Boy Rag," "The Bootblack," "String of Roses," "Syncopated Boogie Boo," "Put on Your Old High Hat," "It is Great To Be In Love" and "Good Fellow."

A meritorious vaudeville contingent fills in the entire act. It is made up of the following specialties: Will Deery and Ollie Francis, the two famous funmakers, in bits of nonsense; Charles Falke, the lyric tenor, in popular selections; and Tom Barrett and May Belle, in a comedy sketch, entitled "The Suffragettes."

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GOSSIP OF THE STAGE

Bert Whitman is in St. Louis at the Booker T. Washington theater, where he has broken all records for every night.

C. D. Carter, of the Nashville Students, writing from Waterford, N. S., says that the company will open in the States on February 10.

Chicken Reel Beaman, of the Brooks-Smith Players, is at Spartanburg, S. C. Plenty theaters, he says, but salary not very thick. Will do eight weeks in the city of Spartanburg.

Mack and Mack, Billie and Mary, have just finished thirty-two weeks among four theaters in New Orleans. Now at the Pike theater, Mobile, Ala. The act is going big. Both doing nicely.

Billy Watkins is with the Rabbit Foot Company and is scoring nightly with his songs and funny sayings. He would like to hear from Mrs. N. Watkins. T. H. Duman and Frank Tansel are with the company. All making good.

Means and Means, the royal entertainers, in their magic chair balancing act, will be seen in vaudeville soon. They positively have the only act of the kind. Mr. Means has added some new and interesting features to his act.

Walcott's Rabbit Foot Company is doing a fine business according to reports. The band is the big attraction, rendering "Il Travatore" and other selections, featuring Mr. Ralph Redmon's 150 feet from the band accompaniment, with his artistic grace style tone and embellishment.

NOTES FROM HUNTINGTON'S MIGHTY MINSTRELS.

We are all over and doing fine. The high water in Mississippi caused us to turn back from New Orleans last week, but we are going to play the southern section of this state before we leave it.

Wood Saddler is stage manager over here, and Prof. B. R. Randolph has the band, and at present it is a little burnes.

My two brothers are over here with me, and we have an exceptionally good show.

Master Earl Walton, from Little Rock, has been leading the orchestra until now, but goes on as interlocutor from no won, and leaves the burden on me.

We need another clarinet player, and then look out for us.

One good feature is the man in white. He makes regular visits. I want to hear from all friends.

Matlock married in Alexandria, week before last, and Mendelshon's wedding march was played by the band as the bride and groom approached the car.

M. W. WALKER,
Cotton Port, La.

GLOBE THEATER JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

Lew Kenner and Company a Riot for Sixteen Weeks.

A person with a limited vocabulary is in a poor fix attempting to describe the show at the Globe aheater this week. The reason is that one needs adjectives in the superlative degree to express themselves. Lew Kenner and company are entering their sixteenth week at Frank Crowd's popular playhouse and they are putting over the same old screaming hit that they have always been doing.

It is seldom that a southern producer is clever enough to put over a dramatic show that will please southren audiences, for, as a rule, they prefer comedies; but Lew Kenner has the distinction of having accomplished that miracle. The show this week is a classy drama entitled "The Outlaw." It is an adaptation by Kenner and anyone who has seen the original show would never think it was the same. Lew Kenner has interpolated so much of his own original stuff into it that it seems almost transformed.

Charlie Cocee as the villain shows that as a character actor he is without a peer in the colored profession. His work is clean-cut and impressive, and the hisses that greeted his work showed that his acting as a villain was certainly realistic.

Mme. Mines as Ruth, daughter of a rich cattleman, proved to be a very clever actress. She is very finished in her work and is a big favorite with patrons of the Globe.

Julian Costello as a Mexican was also excellent, and Ora Jackson's male impersonation of "Black Pete," left nothing to be desired.

But the "piece de resistance" was Lew Kenner as Jake the black man of all work around the ranch. There is no doubt that Lew Kenner is funny, but he has never had a part that showed him to better advantage than the one he is doing this week at the Globe. The funny sitautions he creates by his inimitable comedy kept the house in roars of laughter, and this being his sixteenth week, makes it all the more surprising.

Millie Williams was also splendid in a character part as 'Frisco Kate, a breezy western girl, and in wild west costume looked simply bewitching. She is one of the most versatile performers in show business, and if this clever pair, Kenner and Williams, stays at the Globe much longer we will think they are like Tennyson's little brook, they can go "On and on forever."

In the olio was Miss Henry Lee Brown, a soubret who is new to Jacksonville theatergoers, but from the applause that was showered down at the finish of her act, she has established herself as a favorite here.

The Berringers, clever singers and dancers, scored one of the hits of the evening. They are good, gingery workers, and one of the best dressed teams in the profession.

The joint headliners, Clarence Powell, original star of the Rich and Pringle's Minstrels, and "Original Rags" were both such big hits that it is hard to determine which is the biggest favorite with Jacksonville theatergoers. Their work is well known to readers of the Freeman, so I shall not attempt to describe it here. It is sufficient to say that they are two of the biggest drawing cards htat have ever played Jacksonville, and Manager Crowd is delighted with the bill he has this week. He is all smiles and says he is going to lease Kenner for ten years. All right, forward march, Lew!

Professor Nichols' orchestra of twelve pieces is cleaning up nightly playing the popular selections. Then they play the Rosary, and go home happy.

BILLY KERSANDS IN AUSTRALIA —STILL PLEASING THE THOUSANDS.

"Old as He Feels."

Billy Kersands, one of the principal funmakers of Hugo's Minstrels, whose facial contortions appear on this page, has been appearing on the stage for close upon sixty years. He commenced to make people forget trouble and care when he was about fifteen as a shining light of Callendar's Georgia Minstrels. His next engagement was with Haverly's Minstrels, the proprietor of which 'discovered" the possibilities of the bright comedian. In his early days with Haverly's Minstrels Mr. Kersands was general utility boy. Had not the principal star of this organization fallen ill, Mr. Kersands might have still been washing dishes. The management had to look for some one to fill the breach. Everyone was selected in turn, but of no avail. There was no one in the company capable of following in the star's wake. When it was time for the curtain to go up the proprietor was desperate. He had to take a chance, so took it with this young Billy Kersands. "I put him on as a joke," he told a pressman afterwards, "but it happened to be a mighty good joke. Kersands paralyzed that audience. As for the other members of the company, why, I guess he made 'em look like a pack of amateurs—and they were highsalaried people, too."

From that day the fortunes of the real clever Ethiopian have been after Billy Kersands' own heart. He has never been broke, stranded ,or out of work. His name is now a household word throughout America, which country he left twenty-two years ago for the first time to visit England. As a member of Haverly's company he made himself a favorite with the British public for four years. He papeared at Her Majesty's theater, London, for four consecutive months. So popular had he become that he was commended to appear before the late Queen Victoria, who personally congratulated him upon his performance. His great song tit during his London season was "Mary's Gone With a Coon," a number that he had to sing every evening again and again. He is the originator of the "Essence of Virginia' dance,. now being featured in the finale—Alexander's Ragtime Band—of the entertainment at the Theater Royal, which has been the vogue in America for years. Although he turned seventy-five right in Adelaide a few days ago, he is still hale and hearty. When asked a few days ago what it felt like singing at such an age he replied, "Well, I guess a man is as old as he feels. And I feel good for another seventy-five years—so you can guess how I feel." Mr. Kersands has the fondest recollections of his London season, for he was treated right royally in the world's metropolis. "Why," he said, "they treated me so well that I did not know I was a colored man until I looked in a glass." He is full of ancedote, and can relate many amusing experiences. "One of the most genuinely funny things that have occurred in my career," he told me, "happened in London, when we were showing at Her Majesty's theater. I was executing my Essence of Virginia dance—a combination of knee work and head buttoning to keep time with the music—when all of a sudden the audience commenced to laugh some. My, I thought to myself, I am going some this evening. As laughing grew in volume, the harder I worked. Said I to myself, 'Billy Kersands, you are making a sure hit tonight.' Suddenly I chanced to look around to get the shock of my life. There on the stage behind me, mimicking every action and grimace, was a three-year-old 'pic.' Well, I was more astonished than angry, and just had to laugh. This pleased the audience so much that they threw money down on the stage in handfuls. Was I pleased? Why, yes. I never knew there was so much money in the world—for that 'pic' got every cent that evening, and many nights after, as her stunt went so big that they introduced it as part of my act."—Van Eck in The Mail, Sydney, Australia.

NOTES ABOARD PROF. EPH WILLIAMS' SHOW CAR.

Prof. Eph Williams Famous Troubadours are now playing the Florida East Coast. St. Augustine, Daytonia and Palatka turned out most wonderfully.

Silas Green is the household word in the entire state of Florida, and the mere mention of Prof. Eph Williams' Troubadours means standing room only. Many new features have been added to the cast.

The new and original Silas Green cast is so constructed that no person is allowed to go home until they have laughed themselves nearly to death. To prove this fact, we will recall the readers of the Freeman attention to the capital town of the state, Tallahassee. On Monday night November 25, while playing to a large and enthusiastic audience, a man started to laugh at the funny sayings of Silas Green and left the tent laughing, entered his home laughing, went to bed laughing, and pretty soon a physician was called, and before morning he had laughed himself to death.

Mr. William Fisher, the little man with the big horn, is leaving the mtalking daily. Mr. Fisher is coming to the front in a hurry.

Mr. Will Goff Kennedy, stage manager, is still at his post of duty. Mr. Kennedy is rehearsing some of his new original pieces for the show. Too much cannot be said of this tireless worker.

Mr. William Baynard, leading man and private secretary to Silas Green, is making a record for himself as a straight man. Mr. Baynard lectures to the members of the company every Sunday on the leading topics of the day. A lecture on the life and work of the eminent S. Coleridge Taylor was beautifully painted Sunday on board the private car Rhoden, at West Palm Beach. A collection was taken to be forwarded to the editor of the Freeman for Mrs. Taylor.

Miss Susie Cooksey is scoring heavily every night, singing "All Day Through."

Mrs. Eph Williams and her two little daughters, Josephine and Virginia, have returned to the show after an absence of four months. At present the two little girls are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. James E. Duncan at Daytonia.

Miss Teressia Skinner of team of Mayfield and Skinner and Mr. John Ivey, baritone, are on the sick list.

The Troubadour bunch met and shook hands with the Rabbit Foot Company bunch last Saturday at Fort Pierce, Fla.

Mr. Jerry Martin, trombone player, who has been away to Jacksonville on a pleasure trip, has returned to the show.

Mr. William Baxter, our advance agent and representative, was called to his home in Shelbyville, Ky., on account of illness of his father. Mr. Ross Jackson is carrying on the good work by himself.

Prof. Eph Williams had the pleasure of dining with his newly wedded daughter, Mrs. Vivian L. Duncan, last Sunday at Daytonia, Fla.

Miss Flo Russell, that dainty little soubret, is setting them wild nightly singing "Rattlesnake Rag."

Our band, under the leadership of Prof. R. H. Collins, numbers thirteen pieces. The roster is as follows: Jesse Reeves, Jerry Martin and Mr. Humboldt, trombonists; William Fisher, bass; John Ivey, baritone; Will Golf Kennedy and L. J. Christohm, alto; William Mayfield, R. H. Collins (leader) and Lawrence Booker, cornet; Mancy Williams, snare drum; Leroy Knox, bass drum, and Fred Kewley, clarinet.

Prof. Eph Williams visited with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Duncan, while in Daytonia.

SEEN AND HEARD WHILE PASSING

(By S. Tutt Whitney.)

What Is the Answer?

What is an annual stage review? What is a reviewer? What is the object of a review? I am asking these questions for hundreds of my sisters and brothers in the profession. Is it possible for any writer, no matter how skilled he may be in the brevity, directness, purity, propriety, percision, perspicuity and unity of his writings; is it possible, ireiterate, for a writer possessed of all the requisites named above, to write a comprehensive review, in one column of an ordinary sized newspaper, of the work of thousands of actors, singers, dancers and musicians; of the doings of the theatrical managers; of what the road shows and stock companies are doing in a territory as large as the great United States and Europe?

Is it possible to tell, in one column, what these thousands of men and women have accomplished and what they have failed to accomplish; of their hopes and ambitions; of what is being done to assist or retard their progress?

Does the recital of the work of a few noted performers in two of the principal cities of the United States constitute an annual stage review?

Should the South and West be ignored in an annual stage review?

Should there be no mention of the concert stage; should there be no mention of the hundreds of playhouses already erected, and in the process of erection in the South; should there be no mention of the small minstrel shows or tent shows in an annual stage review?

Should there be no mention of the efforts being made to help colored performers, but such men as Charles E. Barton, N. S. Feldman, R. Voelckel, T. L. Corwell, S. H. Dudley, Andrew Thomas, L. D. and L. J. Joel, Frank W. Crowd, Colonel Morten, Martison & Niber, Mr. Elmore, J. J. Flugeman, A. N. Anderson, Mr. Barrasso, H. Druke, N. Jacoby and Loeb, R. E. Carver, W. E. Pike, H. Douglass, Mr. Dreyfus, Jack Harris and many others, whom I do not know, and by others who operate in territories with which I am not familiar; should there be no mention of the work of these men in an annual stage review?

Should the work of the stock companies go unnoticed in an annual stage review, when such men as Billy King, Bob Russell and Billy Owens, Tim Owsley, Frank Montgomery, Marion Brooks and Speedy Smith, Ed Lee and Mr. McDaniels are at their head?

Can a man write an annual stage review, who willfully, unknowingly or maliciously ignores most of the people and things about which he should write?

Let us have an annual stage review; let it be broad and comprehensive; let it show us our mistakes that we may profit thereby; let it point out the evil and supply the remedy; let it be written in a spirit of good will towards all, and with malice towards none; let the writer be truthful in his statements and honest in his opinions; let the world have some knowledge of a profession that is furnishing honest and honorable employment to thousands of colored women and men. But should these things be contained in an annual stage review? Again I ask, what is an annual stage review? What is a reviewer? What is the object of an annual stage review?

THE FASHION PLATE MINSTRELS.

The Fashion Plate Minstrels are in Illinois, playing to good business. Everyone is happy and enjoying the pleasures of minstrel life.

We made a return date at Beardstown, Ill., and broke all previous records, as this was the banner house of the season.

The managers are happy and retain the smile that won't come off. They are getting rich quick.

Madam Vivian De Glover, the prima donna, is mopping up singing "Conceil de Nina," arranged by Prof. Arthur L. Prince, the mop handle of the show.

The little trap drummer, Mr. Ernest Williams, still holds his own and it is really a treat to glance at his sensational trap work.

Mrs. Whitney Viney and Arthur A. Wright, the perpetual originators of comedy will soon put on a new afterpiece entitled "Uncle Booker de Washington in Barn."

A very progressive act is the team of Beechum and Kenny. They send regards to Kelley's Forties.

Tony Bearfield is still roaring like a lion.

P. G. Lowery is very busy corresponding with musicians for the summer engagement.

Arthur L. Prince is busy making a write-up of "Secrets of the Show World Revealed," which will be out very soon. Watch for it.

The team of Greer and Greer, an eastern team, who recently left the William McCabe Troubadours, came over here, cold turkey, to join the Fashion Plate Minstrels, but as the management heard they were fighters and disorganizers, it was impossible to engage the duo, owing to the fact that a liberal donation of 50 cents by each member of the company helped the two stars on their journey to Chicago, where they expect to get an engagement at the Monogram theater. After they had received the collection, also a nice seat in the opera house, and breakfast, dinner and supper and the luxuries that we have on the car, they began to brighten up and said they were members of the C. V. B. A.'s and could get a ticket and any amount of money they cared for. Naturally, that was a professional shock to the members, and now they regret their sympathy, also the change. Signed,

MEMBERS OF THE FASHION PLATE MINSTRELS.

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(By Jasper T. Taylor.)

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Mr. Charle sGeyer, our generous manager, spares no pains in making everything O. K. for his company. The company spent Christmas in San Antonio, at which place it played one week at the Star theater to S. R. O. every night.

Amos Peoples is still with us and is still making a hit singing "I Wonder If I'll Always Be Down and Out."

Prof. Mahlon Wilson, our orchestra leader, still lives above the staff and sends regards to P. G. Lowery.

Billie Jones, our stage manager, is a riot everywhere we go and keeps the audience in an uproar with his funny monologue from start to finish.

Mrs. J. M. Henderson, our prima donna, receives one and two encores every performance, singing "Harbor of Love" and "Goodbye, Rose."

Lonnie Kyle's comedy hoop controlling keeps the audience in an uproar.

Carl de Knight is making good singing "Circus Day," and receives one and two encores.

Walter Madison joined us in Bastrop, Texas, and is making good singing "Next Week."

The Dandy Dixie Minstrels, it is said, put on the finest and best first part of any colored minstrels on the road. All of the costumes are new, full dress suits and silks and satins of the best.

Filey, the Jap, joined us in Elgin, Tex., and brings the audience to a standstill in feats of strength and physical culture.

Mrs. Lulu Cooper, our soubret, is cleaning up singing "I've Got the Finest Man."

J. M. Henderson, clarinet player, and W. H. White, tuba player, are still with us and send regards to friends in and out of the profession.

Walter Mason, cornet player, joined the show at Bastrop, Texac.

The bunch sends regards to all friends in and out of the profession.

Would like to hear from musicians at all times.

THE AUDITORIUM THEATER, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Many forms of vaudeville endeavor were found in this week's bill at the Auditorium, but premier honors, insofar as an audience appreciation was concerned, must be awarded a first-timer, Julia Mitchell, whose acrobatic stunts caught the house, some of them so thrilling that one really catches their breath. She is supported by her three pics, who do sensational dancing, making this one of the strongest acts seen at this house this season. It was the talk of the town.

The Six Musical Vers had a well-rounded-out act of instrumental music, singing and dancing, all of whom are accomplished artists.

Kilgallen and Dean in songs, comedy and wooden-shoe dancing were very good, producing a number of difficult steps that were never seen before, and the costuming was fine. They deserved the applause they received.

Taylor and Clark had an original showing full of humor, and presented much amusing dialogue in their skit.

NOTES OF THE RABBIT FOOT CO.

(By Frank "Jap" Reed.

We are still in the land of sunshine, in the dear old state of Florida, and the show is doing a first-class business, playing S. R. O. nightly. The patronage is well pleased with the performance. Why? Because it is a scream from start to the finish. The curtain rihes on the entire company, twenty-eight people in all, featuring "In Dear Old Dixieland," staged by George A. Williams. The scenes of this number are very elaborate and expensive.

The roster of the company is as follows: Comedians, Arthur Happy Howe, Frank Tansel, M. Billy Watkins, T. H. Dumas, John Means, Kid Kelly, Andrew Williams, Carter Lockhart, J. Booker, L. Whit, Robert Eberly, Jap Reed; soubrets, Miss Willie Burems, Miss Lillia nLockhart, Miss Estella Williams, Miss Sallie Means; ballads, John W. Allen; J. Means, interluctor.

Our band is under the leadership of Geo. A. Williams, and consists of the following players: George A. Williams, A. Townsend and A. Cox, cornets; Ralph Redmond, George Ross, Ed Williams, trombones; Jap Reed, John Allen, altos; William Green, baritone; Wm. Thomas, tuba; Joe White and Charles Burems, drums.

Mr. F. S. Wolcott is well pleased with the company and carries a smile that won't come off.

The company sends regards to all friends in and out of the profession.

YOUNG COLORED MAN "MAKES GOOD"

Roscoe Conkling Giles Wins Laurels in Nation's Best Colleges—Bright Future Ahead.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Jan. 29.—That color in itself is not an unsurmountable barrier to young men of spirit, resource and capacity is amply demonstrated by the signal success achieved by Roscoe Conkling Giles in the leading colleges of the land, in competition with the best brain and brawn of the proud Caucasian race. He is the enterprising son of Counsellor and Mrs. Francis F. Giles, of 1603 Pacific street, Brooklyn. He is scaling the heights not because of any marked differences between himself and others of his type, but because he has the broad vision that discloses the vast possibilities that lie in wait for those who follow the rugged pathway of duty and industry, and possess the energy and business acumen that impel such a character to take advantage of the opportunities that present themselves day by day. As an example for others of the race, he is worthy of study and emulation.

Mr. Giles, born in Albany, N. Y., in 1890, has barely passed his majority, but has already made a record of which a much older man might well feel proud. He graduated with honors from the public schools of Brooklyn in 1907, attending school No. 70 and the Boys' high school. While in high school he was very prominent in all of his classes as a good scholar and was a tower of strength in the debating societies. In his senior year he won the Christ silver medal for oratory. An exhaustive examination that year won for him a scholarship offered by Cornell University, and he is so far the only Negro to attain that lofty distinction in the Boys' high school here.

Entering Cornell University's College of Arts and Sciences, Mr. Giles at once took on the quickened spirit of that "live" establishment and stood high in all of his branches throughout his course there, covering four years, the term required of those preparing for medical training, entrance to which course calling for the degree of Bachelor of Arts and Sciences. For three years he was a foremost figure in the crews squad of the university, and many of the vitocries so achieved were admitted to be due to the strength and skill displayed by him. Mr. Giles matriculated in September, 1911, in the Cornell University College of Medicine, where he is now a sophomore, with an excellent chance of finishing at the head of his class. On account of the rigid demand for the A. B. degree, the classes are not large, and it so happens that Mr. Giles is the only student of color attending that institution. Nevertheless, no student there is more personally liked or more highly respected for his worth and work than is Mr. Giles. He is a very handsome, manly young fellow, of engaging address, and is a splendid mixer.

He is a member of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, the largest colored college fraternity in America, and in 1910 was elected president of the general organization. A short time ago he was chosen president of the Alpha Alumni Chapter of the fraternity in New York City, an honor very eagerly sought after by the best men of the frat in this vicinity.

Mr. Giles takes to law as naturally as a duck takes to water, and wherever he decides to cast his lot there is no doubt that he will make his mark at the bar, and reflect in his career the highest mental, moral and constructive qualities of the race.

LANGSTON UNIVERSITY, LANGSTON, OKLA.

(By Allen G. Bowle.)

Prof. A. L. Oden, instructor in the carpentering department of the university, was married to a young lady of Guthrie, Okla., Sunday.

The university band and orchestra will go to Oklahoma City and give a recital for the legislature in a few days.

Dr. Charles Sneed spent Saturday and Sunday in Guthrie visiting Mrs. Sneed.

Wes Sneed is teaching in the high school of Guthrie.

Mr. Roscoe Dungee lectured at the A. M. E. church last week.

In behalf of the K. of P. lodge, Mr. Dungee spoke and everyone enjoyed the address.

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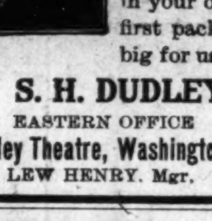

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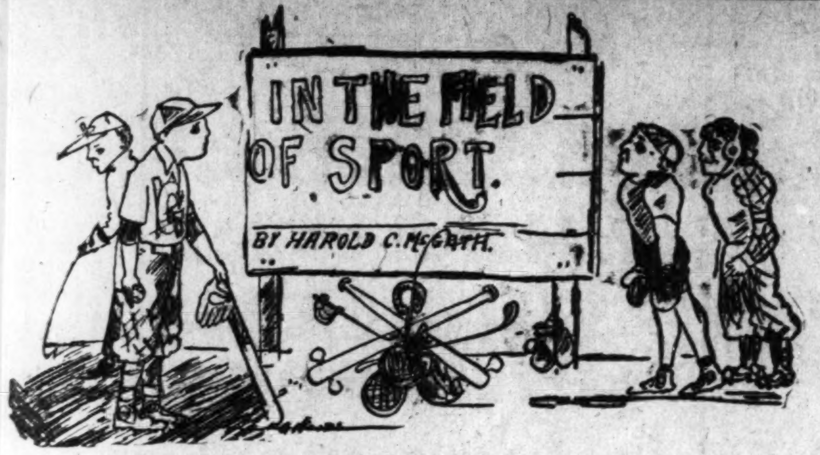
IN THE FIELD OF SPORT.
BY HAROLD C. McGRATH.

A BASEBALL OUTCAST.

Jim Thorpe, Indian, All-Around Athlete—Too Many Honors For His Own Good—Jack Johnson Reviewed in Africa.

(By Billy Lewis.)

Heretofore I have dealt at length with the simon pure article—genius Negro—in this column, and of course, those too, with whom he was directly associated. Incidentally others of the sport classes have been mentioned, but the object has been to tell the news about our own "good" ones. James Thorpe is an Indian with a great reputation as an athlete. Really he is said to be the best all-around athelte of today. He won championship trophies at Stockholm at the recent Olympic contests. The A. A. U. branded Thorpe as a professional, an action which cost him his trophies, seemingly. It is now said that his "professionalism" is merely that of baseball, and that as to his other "pursuits" he is merely an amateur. There's much ado about the red man's future athletic activities, owing to his mixed relations with athletism.

His case is thoroughly reviewed by H. G. Copeland, a well-known sport writer. He has the following to say:

"Jim Thorpe, Sac and Fox Lndian, has a perfect right to go on the warpath. Why shouldn't the blood of his ancestors, who massacred their paleface brothers two or three generations ago, arouse the old primitive fighting spirit in his veins?

Big Chief Thorpe gets it coming and going. He's canned if he is and he's canned if he isn't.

No sooner have the paleface medicine men held their powwow in New York to declare forfeitel all the scalps and beads Thorpe gathered in at Stockholm than the great white father of baseball at Chicago calls his clan to arms and declares that the wampum the big chief could have gained by the involuntary surrender of his trophies shall not be forthcoming—that is not until Chief Thorpe lays down his tomahawk and pays tribute at the shrine of baseball.

The A. A. U. branded Thorpe as a professional, which action cost him his Olympic championship trophies. But the "professionalism" was "baseball professional." So the big chief was not delivered from the bondage of amateur athletic rules to become as free as were his ancestors before Christopher Columbus got the seagoing bug. When he was branded as a "professional" he was sold into baseball slavery.

Here's the answer. Ban Johnson has notified the baseball magnates that Jim Thorpe is not a free agent and that the Indian belongs to a North Carolina league club.

Dillon Would Meet Thorpe.

Johnson suddenly put the case of the "honest Injun" in statu quo yesterday at Chicago by displaying a telegram from Secretary Farrell, of the Minor Leagues Association, stating that Thorpe was under reservation to the Fayetteville, N. C., club. Consequently the club owners who are seeking to add Thorpe to their assets must first do business with the North Carolina club. The bush league blew up last year, but that makes no difference; kick the Indian while he's down. Mr. Johnson did not suggest himself that this information came with malice aforethought. On the contrary, the American League executive feels a lot of sympathy for the position of the world's greatest athlete in having a cloud placed upon his Olympic titles. Mr. Johnson thoroughly approves of the efforts American League club owners were making to secure Thorpe's services. But baseball is baseball.

With a view to aiding in the general desire to show the public what baseball men think of Thorpe and incidentally to prepare a statement approving of the athlete's action and welcoming him to the American League, Mr. Johnson wired Secretary Farrell for the information regarding the extent of the "crime" of which the amateur athletic officials have convicted Thorpe.

In reply Secretary Farrell wired that Thorpe signed with the Rocky Mount club in 1910 at a salary of $125 a month. He was later transferred to the Fayetteville club and at the end of last season was placed on the reserve list of the latter club. So, Chief Thorpe remains on the reserve list of the defunct bush league, which was reorganized only yesterday, eliminating the two little towns in which Thorpe played as a "professional."

Bush Leagues to Front.

But Thorpe has another chance. There is one line of athletes where amateurs are not "branded," although they are "marked" pretty much. Neither are "professionals" held in slavery by more than one man, a manager. And they don't have to have a manager if they don't want to, regardless of the A. A. U. and the Baseball Trust.

Thorpe may become a pugilist. All he has to do is to get out and lick everybody he tackles and then go into vaudeville.

In Indianapolis there is one man at least who is willing to help Thorpe on his way. Jack Dillon says he is perfectly willing to give Thorpe a boost. 'They say Thorpe is a heavyweight,' quoth Sam Murbarger, Dillon's manager, last night. 'Well, that will be all right. Jack will concede him the weight. If Thorpe wishes to enter the boxing game he doesn't have to go out and meet a dub for his first match. The middleweight champion will meet him at catch weights and we will box any place where a proper purse is offered. This is not hot air—it goes. Jack has met men as big as Thorpe and we are willing to take a chance with the Indian.'

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Quite an interesting bit of miscellany concerning "Poh Loo"; he is now seen in his right relations to the sports, and from which the reader may draw conclusions as to where the champ athlete stands. Thorpe is being pretty well starred in the daily papers in these days. He's been batted about some, but it looks as if he will land with the right side up when the mists have rolled away.

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Talking about Jack Johnson in Africa. Perhaps they are talking about him wherever writing and reading is done, at least where there is a disposition on the part of newspapers to scare up current events of importance. I will never forget how I was impressed with General Kilpatrick (I think that was his name), who spoke at the old Academy of Music in Indianapolis many years ago, during a campaign. I was a tot, but followed the campaign speaker more faithfully than a Mohammedan does his religion. None dreamed of me a barefoot Negro boy, listening to those great speeches. I understood them, drinking in Hendricks, McDonald, Voorhees, Harrison, Morton. I was alone—my own people did not know where I went; they were not interested in that phase of my life. None dreamed of me in those great audiences. I did not dream of them, only did I dream of those great men whom I yet see and hear. But to Kilpatrick. In the midst of his speech he began reading extracts from foreign papers—what they had to say about the probable fall of the republic after the shot that was fired at Sumter. He read from an English paper, then from one in German, then from one in French, Spanish, reading the foreign languages in the original. His voice was rather above the middle pitch, much like that of Ben Harrison, but it had more warmth. It was music to hear him, especially when he rattled off his foreign stuff. Glorious it sounded to me, and until this day I have him in mind when stumbling through some of the languages quoted. So you can't always tell the source of inspiration.

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But as to Jack Johnson's review. I am satisfied that he is known in France, in England, in Germany, and perhaps in all of the more enlightened countries, as I have already said. But it may not be generally thought the Africans were also taking notice. The Lagros Standard, Lagros, West Africa, had the following to say not long since:

Johnson, the pugilist, has been having a rather unlucky time of it of late in America. His white wife, it will be remembered, committed suicide not long ago, because she was ostracised by her white companions for marrying a black man, while at the same time the colored ladies shunned her, regarding her as an interloper in their society.

Now Johnson, at the latest accounts, was indicted and held in eight hundred dollars bail, to answer to the charge of abducting a white girl. The facts of the case are these: Johnson, who had saved a considerable sum of money from his battles, opened a big hotel in Chicago, at which he employed this white girl as cashier. This gave offense to the white ladies in Chicago, who got the girl's mother to try and induce her to leave Johnson's employment.

This the girl at first stoutly refused to do, stating that she had no fault to find with Johnson, who had always behaved well towards her, and that her taking up the employment and remaining in it was quite voluntary on her part.

It would seem, however, that later on pressure was brought to bear upon the girl to say that she was abducted by Johnson. Hence the indictment. At latest accounts, feeling ran high, and Johnson, who is afraid of being mobbed if he appears on the streets, is practically a prisoner in his own hotel, where he is guarded by about a dozen of Chicago's biggest roughs."

The observations are by one who signs himself Janus. He keeps an eye on the doings of America, and, as will be noted, he is pretty well informed as to what we are doing in a racial way. The Africans are so serious about their development that they spare no space in their papers to what they consider to be frivolous. Janus gives his observations, not as so much sport news, but for the purpose of directing attention to the racial struggle in America, having in mind, of course, the struggle in Africa.

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BATTLING NELSON YEARNS FOR THE RING.

Aspires For Lost Title—Will Cut His Honeymoon to Meet Willie Ritchie.

CHICAGO.—Battling Nelson put his bride of a few days on a train for Denver, and then turned to a telegraph office and sent a burning challenge to Willie Ritchie for a battle for the lightweight title.

"Retire from the ring? I should say not!" declared the Durable Dane. "Most fighters after being married, sidestep matches by saying their wives won't let them fight again. In my case it is different. If I had to fight seventeen years to support, one person—myself. Just figure out how long I must continue in the ring to support two."

Nelson puts forth a logical argument for a battle with Ritchie.

"Willie holds the title and, of course, he can dictate," says Bat. "Wolgast refused me a return match, in the face of the fact that I always gave my opponents a second and sometimes a third trial after I had beaten them. Ritchie is using Wolgast's refusal to give me a return match as an argument why he, Ritchie, should ignore Wolgast. That is all right from Ritchie's standpoint, but where do I come in? I ought to get at least consideration from Ritchie for the use of my name as an argument."

Nelson has started training for his February campaign, four fights being booked.

Wells Coming to America.

LONDON.—"Luther McCarty is the big game I'm stalking," said Bombadier Wells, the British champion pugilist, as he prepared to sail from Liverpool last week aboard the Mauretania, for New York. With Jem Malone, his manager, Wells will invade America a second time, because of his inability to get matches in England and France, and he admitted that he might remain for a considerable spell on Yankee soil.

Will Reduce Licensed Referees.

NEW YORK.—The state athletic commission may take upon itself the assignment of referees for all boxing bouts in New York. The plan which has already come up at meetings of the commission, and received favorable action, will be finally acted upon in the near future. It is proposed to reduce the official list of referees, of whom there are now more than sixty holding licenses, to fully one-half the number and to have the latter not only assigned to duty by the commission, but wholly responsible to it rather than to the club owners, as is now the case.

Champ Ritchie Coming to Indianapolis

Willie Ritchie, champion lightweight fighter, will appear at the Lyric theater, at a near date. Arrangements have been made t othat end by the management.

Ritchie is proving one of the best drawing cards in vaudeville in the country, largely because of his meteoric rise in the pugilistic world. A little over a year ago he was merely a sparring partner in Packey McFarland's camp. He was in San Francisco when Al Wolgast was scheduled to fight Freddie Welsh, the English champion, in Los Angeles. On the eve of the scheduled battle Wolgast was stricken with appendicitis, and the promoters sent S O S calls out for an opponent for Welsh. Ritchie, without any preparation, accepted the match and made an all-night ride to Los Angeles. He went into the twenty-round fight and bested the Englishman.

His remarkable performance stamped him as a comer, and in the year that followed he won several important fights. His challenge to Wolgast was accepted and he had by far the best of the fight when Wolgast fouled him in the nineteenth round. It was charged that Wolgast deliberately committed the foul to prevent his being knocked out by Ritchie. Since then the new champion has been making hay while the sun shines.

Thorpe Challenged.

LONDON.—Bert Wickham, of Wales, holder of the world's championship in all-round athletics, has sent a challenge to the American Indian, James Thorpe, for an all-round contest, Martin Sheridan having declined. The contest would include boxing, wrestling, running, feats of strength and cycling.

Regulating the Game.

PITTSBURG.—In publishing the new regulations governing boxing shows Safety Director Morin last week put the ban on the "kidney punch" and the "pivot blow."

Another radical step compels clubs to have a physician at the ringside to examine all preliminary fighters besides the men in the main bouts.

The wearing of countless rolls of tape on the hands is prohibited. For the first time in the history of boxing in Pittsburg the referee is made responsible to the police department. It is put up to the referee to see that all the police regulations are followed. Should there be violations, the third man in the ring will be called on to explain why he should not be put among the ineligibles.

The public is protected against some of the cheap tricks played by promoters. Main bout boxers must be in Pittsburg and undergo a physical examination at least twenty-four hours before going into the ring. This prevents eleventh-hour changes of program.

Each club shall have its physician at the ringside during every show. Coaching by seconds or spectators or shouting by anybody is forbidden.

SEATTLE, WASH.

Famous Colored Sprinter Trains the Champions—George Paris Will Look After Seattle Athletes.

President Dugdale announced not long since that he had secured George Paris, the famous athlete, to act as trainer for the Seattle players during the coming season. Paris is now living in Vancouver, B. C., and will report in Seattle about March 15.

Paris has been connected with the Seattle club in the same capacity several times, and his work has always been entirely satisfactory. He is not only capable, but takes a great interest in his work, which makes him valuable.

Paris was formerly the amateur champion sprinter of Canada, and after he located in Seattle he went down to Oregon as a member of the Seattle Athletic Club, and almost alone, did up the entire star bunch of Oregon athletes. In his prime he was without a superior in North America for all distances up to a mile, when crowded into one performance.

SPRING BANK PARK.

Amusement Company will Operate It—A Baseball Club Will Be a Feature.

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—At a meeting held last Friday night, the Spring Bank Amusement Company, which will operate Spring Bank park, located at Thirty-seventh and Greenwood avenue, this year, completed arrangements for the coming season. It selected John Reccius, who has been connected with the game in this city for more than twenty years, as manager, and he was given exclusive control of the players. He was instructed to get together a team that will be able to compete with any of the semi-professional organizations in the country. At any rate, the local fans are sure to witness some good games at this park the coming season. Mr. Reccius is already at work completing his schedule for the coming season, and wants all clubs that intend making Louisville this year to write him at 214 West Market street, Louisville, Ky.

The contract for the stands and improvements to be made on the park were let, and as soon as the weather permits work will begin. The club will be known as the Louisville White Sox, and will have uniforms of navy blue with white stockings and belts and with the monogram "W. S." in white on the shirs and caps. The uniforms are patterned after the ones worn by the Chicago American League players.

"Honest Bill" Lee, who is a local favorite, has signed a contract to do the umpiring, and this is a guarantee that all visiting teams will receive a fair deal, as he was one of the best arbitrators seen at this park last season.

CARY B. LEWIS

Invited to Speak on "Literary Lights of the Race"—Culture Clubs Anxious to Hear the Young Orator.

GALESBURG, Ill., Jan. 29 (Special).—The readers of the Indianapolis Freeman and the Chicago papers in this city have become so pleased with the address of Mr. Cary B. Lewis at Bethel Literary, of Chicago, on the subject, "Literary Lights of the Race," that an effort is being made here to have him appear here at an early date to speak at one of the churches, under the auspices of the Culture Club, of which Mrs. Charles Davis is president. One of the members of the club was in Chicago at the time the address was delivered and heard it, and has spoken in the highest terms of the address. A communication has been sent Mr. Lewis, urging him to speak. The club is doing charitable work and a program is expected to be rendered on a Sunday evening, making the occasion one of the grandest ever held in this section of the state. While here Mr. Lewis will be asked to "write-up" the business and progressive people of this community for The Freeman.

ST. LOUIS, MO., YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

Special to The Freeman.

The Wheatley branch of the Y. W. C. A. of St. Louis, has closed its first year with flying colors. This association has been on trial for a year. It has stood the test and proved its right to live. The work in this association virtually began in January, 1912, when the national board at New York, sent Miss May B. Belcher to act as general secretary and develop the work in St. Louis. News has been received from the national board of the Y. W. C. A. in New York that the Whealey branch of St. Louis has done the best first year's work of any colored association in the United States.

The first annual reception and meeting of the association were held Friday evening, January 24, at Union Memorial church. A large number attended. Interesting reports of the year's work were given to the public by the heads of the different departments. At the close of the meeting an interesting talk was given by Mrs. Lacy Thurman of Michigan. Great developments are expected for the year of 1913.

ST. LOUIS, MO.

Special to The Freeman.

Miss Mary E. McLead anr Mr. Milford Vanness were united in wedlock Monday evening at St. Thomas' Catholic church. Mrs. Mary McLead Vanness is the niece of Mr. M. Feiger, the popular proprietor of the barber shop at 2012 Market street. Mr. and Mrs. Vanness will make their home at 26[illegible]2 Shenandoah avenue....Mrs. U. S. Brown, of 1111 Garrison avenue, left last Thursday for Mobile, Ala., where she will spend the remainder of the winter ....The Lincoln-Douglass day to be observed at Washington A. M. E. Zion church on February 12. A good program will be rendered. C. N. Phillips, M. D., and Geo. L. Vaughn, L. L. D., will be the main speakers of the evening....Charles S. Carr, the representative of The Freeman, addressed the Adelphie Club at the home of William H. Murry, 2246 Finney avenue, Thursday evening, January 23, on "The Progress of the Negroes After Fifty Years of Freedom." Mr. Charles Stone president of the Club, responded....Dr. N. H. Pius, the evangelist of Nashville, Tenn., has been in the city for a few weeks conducting a revival at the Central Baptist church, of which Rev. George E. Stevens is pastor. The meetings have been very successful.....Mrs. J. C. Light, widow of the late Dr. Light of Hopkinsville, Ky., passed through the city, en route to Kansas City. While here she was the guest of W. A. Wilkerson, 3302 South Jefferson avenue.....Miss Luella B. Britt, of Clarksville, Tenn., is in the city, visiting Mrs. Lewis, of 2313 Walnut street. She will remain here a few weeks.

NEWS OF EVANSVILLE.

(By Benita Morrow, 411 Olive St.)

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. Addie Perry underwent an operation last week. She is improving nicely. ....Miss Essie Berry, who is visiting in this city, is ill....Mrs. Julia Coward returned to her home in Chicago last Sunday a week ago....Rev. Bigsby is still in the city holding revival services at Liberty Baptist church....Messrs. Herschel and Harold Crowe left last Thursday for Florida, where they will spend the rest of the winter....Mrs. Ida Jones entertained Miss Essie Rapier and Mrs. Mattie Tuck last Friday at 6 o'clock dinner....One Valentine night there will be a musical ball at the Y. M. C. A. Admission will be 5 cents. All are invited....Ladies' Missionary Society met last Sunday afternoon at Liberty Baptist church....The officers of the Household of Ruth were elected as follows: Lizzie B. Woods, M. N. G.; Mary McKee, P. M. G.; Lafronia Gaines, R. N. G.; Benita Morrow, N. G.; Georgia Munday, W R. and Emma Allen, W. T....Mrs. Sadie Moseley was in Mt. Vernon, Ind., at the installation of the Court of Calanthe last Friday night.... It was indeed sad to learn of the death of Henry Rice, of Bland avenue. He had been ill for quite a while, struggling with that dread disease, consumption. He leaves two sisters, two brothers, a mother and father and a host of friends....Mr. Edward Lee, one of the best players the Maroons had last summer, is very ill.... It is encouraging to the citizens of Oakdale to see the change in the weather, as they have been almost flooded by the recent heavy rains....Rev. Bigsby was called home quite suddenly last week to attend the funeral of one of the older members of his family. He returned in time to conduct the Sunday services and continued the meeting throughout the week....The revival closed last week at the McFarland chapel....Mrs. Laura H. Moss was the guest of Mrs. Margaret Willard of Fifth street Sunday afternoon.... Mrs. Solomon Lee, of Chicago, was called to the city on account of the illness of her son, Edward....Miss Lucy Red, who was ill only a few days, died Monday morning....The Freeman on sale at 411 Olive street.

SHELBYVILLE, KY.

(By Miss Florence Hall.)

Mr. Lee Wilson is on the sick list.... Mrs. Zora Clark, a trained nurse, has gone to Callihun....Mrs. Bertha Brown and daughter are ill at the residence of their aunt, Mrs. Riggs....Mr. Sim Booker, of Forest, Ky., is in the city, the guest of relatives....Miss Elizabeth and Mr. Lucan Sharon were married....Mrs. Maggie Tyler is able to be up, after a few weeks' sickness....Mrs. Arthur R. Redden, of Louisville, was in the city the guest of her mother, Mrs. John T. Redden......Dear parents of Shelbyville, please wake to the duty of sending your children to the Sabbath school. The Lord has need for these in His service....Mr. George Boswell is very ill....Mr. Jack Moore is suffering from an accident which happened while killing hogs....Miss Princible Moxley is able to be up after a spell of sickness.... Mrs. John Wade is in the city of Louisville....Miss Addie Butler is on the sick list....Mrs. Ella Norris is able to be up again.

Mr. Ike Spy, well known among the sporting fraternity of this city, is back on base at Bernstein's buffet and looks the picture of health, although it is said he has been slightly indisposed. Spy is one of the good fellows that win the friendship of most everybody they meet, being a square, even-tempered, jolly fellow of Sewaska county, Kentucky, where he has folks who taught him the best theis is in life. Since being a citizen of this city he has been an appreciation.

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CITY AND VICINITY.

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Miss Tilly May Smith is on the sick list.

Mr. Bert Evans is still at the city hospital and is slowly improving.

After February 15 the Freeman will be $1.50. It is now $1.

Mrs. Ira C. Hayden, of Richmond, Va., is here visiting relatives and friends.

George M. Hoover, of Nashville, Tenn., is in the city visiting his brother, Matthew B. Hoover.

Until February 15, The Freeman will be $1.00 the year. Sen in your subscription at once.

Mr. James N. Shelton and Mr. Herbert Scott spent several days in Chicago this week on business.

William D. Anderson, of West Fifteenth street, has gone to Tampa, Fla., for permanent residence.

The Lincoln Hospital, after being refurnished, will be open for patients on Monday, February 10.

Rev. M. S. Johnson is home from his charge on account of tse illness of his wife, Mrs. M. S. Johnson.

Mr. Noble Sissle has returned to the city after a long tour through the New England states, with the Thomas Concert Company.

George H. Nash and T. L. Chapmon, well-known business men of Vincennes, Ind., spent the past week in the city, visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. John Curtis, of Rockville, Ind., left here Tuesday for a tour through the South. Mr. Curtis is a well-known poultry man.

Aid No. 2 of Simpson Chapel gave a reception in honor of Supt. Bryant and family on last Thursday night and it was a grand affair.

The ladies of Bethel Church gave a musical and reception at the residence of Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Shaffer, on Thursday afternoon, from 4 to 6.

The country ball given by the Lotus Club at Odd Fellows hall on Tuesday evening was largely attended and everyone had an enjoyable time.

Send in personals or write-ups of social affairs of yourself and friends. It is free. Drop it on a post card. Can't you afford to spend a penny on your friends?

Mrs. Chas. Turner, of Chicago, passed through thi city this week.

Samuel Williams, of Paris, Ill., was in the city last week on account of the serious illness of his niece, Mrs. Lucy Vandyke, of 444 West Vermont street. Mrs. Vandyke has been very ill for the past two weeks, but she is slowly improving, after undergoing an operation.

WOMAN'S CLUB REPORT.

The Woman's Improvement Club wishes to thank the public for the generous response made during the campaign for the sale of Red Cross seals. Especial credit is due the ministers who allowed the ladies to speak in their churches; to the merchants who placed them on sale in their stores, and to the various clubs that assisted. The proceeds of the 13,979 seals that were disposed of will be used to fight tuberculosis.

INDIANA MID-WINTER COUNCIL.

Bishop B. P. Lee Presides—Meeting at Bethel.

(By H. W. J.)

The mid-winter council of the bishop, presiding elders, ministers and laymen of the Indiana conference of the A. M. E. church was held Wednesday and Thursday of last week at Bethel church, over which Bishop B. P. Lee, D. D., presided. Three meetings a day were held. Wednesday morning Bishop Lee gave an outline of the work of the council, in which he discussed holiness, sanctification, purity, the resurrection and other topics.

The feature of the afternoon was the address of Dr. E. S. Sumaker, on a state-wide anti-saloon fight, in which he asked for the assistance of the colored churches to further the campaign. Bishop Lee offered his endorsement to the movement and promised to assist in the efforts of the Anti-Saloon League. In the evening, Rev. Harry G. Hill, D. D., addressed the council on "The Re-Birth of Christianity." Rev. Hill is an eloquent, logical and interesting speaker, and is one of the city's most aggressive crusaders against vice. He gave numerous illustrations of great tasks accomplished by "man working with God." He, in part, said: "The world is not perfect. Whenever it is then the work on it will be completed. Man is not perfect and it is our duty to assist God in perfecting him." Rev. Hill, some time ago, created much comment in the expression of his belief that God did not rest on the "seventh day." His explanation of this tends to prove that God has never rested since the creation of the world and that He is always busy. The Junior Stewardesses gave a reception to the council and visiting friends and laymen. Thursday was devoted to the reading and discussion of papers. Bishop Lee left the city before the meeting adjourned, leaving Rev. M. Lewis to preside over the meeting. Dinner and supper were served the members of the council of the church.

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MADAME C. J. J. WALKER, HAIR CULTURIST

Has Class in Hair Culture in Columbia, S. C.

Made C. J. Walker, the well-known hair culturist, on her way through the South to Florida on a trip of business and pleasure, is now in Columbia, S. C. Many courtesies are being extended her, among which was a banquet tendered in her honor. The Rev. Richard Carroll, the well known humanitarian, lives in Columbia. He has done much to make the Madame's stay pleasurable and profitable. She has a class in hair culture which is enthusiastic under her instruction, and consequently making splendid progress. Her patrons clamor for her work. She is highly gratified with her trip up until this time, having no reason to think it will be less successful throughout.

CIVIC CLUB NOTES.

"Race discrimination is evil. It forces those discriminated against to a lower standard, and then judges them by a higher."—Dubois.

At the last meeting of the Branch Mrs. Artie Taylor and Mrs. R. Kuykendall became members.

The Detroit Branch is carrying on a vigorous campaign defending the civil rights of colored people in that vicinity. As a result several large restaurants and theaters have ceased to discriminate against Negroes.

If the Negroes of this city would only unite, they could make the balance of power in the coming city election. They could elect city officials who would pledge themselves to see that the Negro received justice in the courts and that discrimination ceased in public places.

A large audience is expected at the public meeting of the Branch Wednesday, February 12, at Allen's Chapel. The program is as follows:

"The Purpose of the Organization..... ....Mary E. Cable

"Woman in the Social and Intellectual World"............Mrs. Minnie Scott

"Plea for United Effort"......Clara Perry

Closing Remarks............Rev. Harvey

No admisson. A silver offering will be accepted.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

Simpson M. E. Church.

Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.; Preaching, 11:00 a. m., subject, God and a Righteous Man's Family; Epworth League, 6:30 p. m.; Preaching, 7:30 p. m., subject, God's Covenant With Man and the Sign of that Covenant. Come, all are welcome. Rev. H. A. Foreman, pastor. Bishop David Moore will speak at Simpson M. E. church February 13.

A. M. E. ZION CHURCH.

The revival is still in progress at Jones' Tabernacle, and the results are simply marvelous. The Rev. Mr. Banks, assisted by a host of zealous Christian workers, deserves special mention and praise. Sunday, February 9, promises to be a high day. At 11 a. m., Miss Myrtle Moore will preach, and at 7:45 the presiding elder. Don't fail to hear these two great gospel preachers.

The members and friends will be pleased to learn that Attorney F. B. Ransom and Hon. Gurley Brewer are booked to speak at the tabernacle Sunday night, February 16, at which time the Educational and General Fund rally will be completed. It is earnestly hoped that each and every member and friend will do his or her best in aiding us to collect every dollar of our claims and educational assessment.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Roby was conducted from Jones' Tabernacle, Monday afternoon, February 3. She was an honored and respected member of the church.

The funeral of Mrs. Sallie Jewel, 1401 Columbia avenue, was conducted from Jones' Tabernacle, of which she was a member, on Wednesday afternoon, February 5.

Mrs. M. E. Roman is still improving at the new St. Vincent's hospital.

BETHEL FORUM.

The following is the program for Sunday at 4 o'clock: Piano solo, by Miss Ellen Thomas; reading, by Mrs. A. C. Moss; solo, by Mrs. Hayes Wilson, and address by Miss Rose Henderson. The debate by members of the Forum and member of the Indiana University will be held Thursday, the 20th. Don't forget the occasion and the date.

BETHEL CHURCH NEWS.

The congregation of Bethel church, after having done so well during the recent revival meetings, might have been excused if the collection Sunday had fallen behind, but there was no disposition on the part of the members and friends to have it so, and the contribution for the day was $105. The pastor preached morning and evening to appreciative congregations. He will preach Sunday at both morning and evening services.

The trustees are asking the public to assist the carpet committee. There is $150 in the treasury on the carpet. The following ladies reported Sunday: Mrs. H. L. Sanders, $$40; Mrs. John Puryear, $20; Mrs. T. A. Smythe, $10, and Mrs. Lucy Turner, $5. These same ladies will make a supplemental report and others who are holding soliciting books will report at the earliest convenience.

Bids have been submitted for the beautifying of the walls.

Two new classes have been formed in the Sunday school, the teachers of which are Mr. W. E. Baugh, principal of school 17, and Mr. Frank Scott. Three new members' classes have been formed. The leaders are Messrs. Edward Sanders, Charles Wells and Lawson Greenfield.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The committee of Management of the Colored Mens Branch of the Y. M. C. A. met Tuesday afternoon at the Central Branch, and there reported $1,025 of the $3,000 needed for the continuation of the work on the new building. The committee of management received the assurance that the work will continue, but that the delinquent subscribers must pay up in order that the furniture contracts may be met. The committee wishes to thank those who so manfully rallied to the support of the organization, and also wishes to urge those who yet seem indifferent, to settle as quickly as possible. That the Negro citizens of Indianapolis "can do" has just been shown again.

The Colored Men's Branch Y. M. C. A. will give their first annual state oratorical contest some time during the month of April. Dr. W. E. Brown, chairman of the educational department, announces that any literary society or church organizations, such as the Christian Endeavor, Epworth League or B. Y. P. U., of the state may enter a contestant. Date and particulars later.

The membership of the association continues to grow. All the departmnets of the association are going fine. The boys' department is growing rapidly as is also their Bible class. There is much interest being shown in this class, as the boys seem eager to glean truths fro mthe Bible.

The association invites the presence of spectators to witness the games played in the boys' basketball league each Monday and Thursday evenings. The season closes Monday a week, February 17, and the outcome is very uncertain between the Crimsons and Whites. Standing of the teams to date:

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Yellow	2	6	.250
Blue	2	6	.250

Ladies' day was duly observed by having the largest attendance of the season. Judge Chas. J. Orbison delivered a masterful address on "Man's Duty." Music was furnished by the North Idianapolis orchestra. Violin solo by Mr. Ralph Jones and a vocal solo by Miss Ruth Estist, the blind soloist.

Monster meeting Sunday afternoon at Crown Garden theater, 3 p. m. Mr. T. L. P. H. Davis, soloist. All men are invited.

THE BLUE GRASS CENTER.

Concert at the First Baptist Church—Mme. F. C. Scott a Successful Soloist—Mrs. P. D. Robinson Passed to the Great Beyond—Social Leader—Prominent Pharmacist.

(By Hardin Tolbert, Special Staff Correspondent, Lexington, Ky.)

LEXINGTON, Ky.—One of the most cultured entertainments was given in honor of Mr. Wilgus Holmes, one of the concrete pillars of the First Baptist church, of Lexington, of which Rev. W. A. Jones is rector. Every nook and corner was filled with the lovers of literary production. The following program was rendered: Anthem, Choir; Prayer, Rev. W. A. Jones; Organ voluntary, selected, Mr. Robert Merritt; Solo, Mr. Elijah Cunningham; Reading, Mr. J. P. Black; Solo, Mr. R. H. Hogan; Instrumental Solo, Miss Jane Mee; Reading, Miss Lizzie Brooks; Quartette, Messrs. Otis Russell, Charlie Withrow, Willie Alexander and Henry Payne; Mandolin Solo, Mr. Sam Simpson; Reading, Miss Laura Carroll; Solo, Mme. F. C. Scott; Reading, Mrs. Rosa Brown; Solo, Mrs. Silla Berry; Address, Dr. W. H. Ballard.

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Mrs. Bessie Anderson spent a few days in Lexington, the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. O. Covington.

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Mme. F. C. Scott, of Lexington, one of the most successful soloists in Kentucky, has had special training in the great arena of voice culture. She made one of the hits of her life in her first appearance in Chicago, after a special course in the Boston Conservatory. That everlasting impression marked an epoch in the theatrical field, with such a high-class song recital. Mme. Scott is a very fascinating chocolate damsel. She differs from others in her field, as she never forgets the services of the Almighty, and a portion of her time is taken up as soloist at the First Baptist church at Lexington. Mme. Scott is a teacher in the Russell high school, and has had many inducements to accept a position on the road. The writer had been asked by a prominent citizen to hear Mme. Scott sing, and last week it was my pleasure to do so. I asked Mme. Scott why she stayed in Lexington and did not go on the road, and she replied that she had a duty before her in the church and the school and that she did not care to leave. Mme. Scott resides at 461 North Upper street. We wish her much success in life.

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The death of Mrs. P. D. Robinson, who died at her residence in Lexington, recently, is felt not only in Lexington, but throughout the state. She took a mother's part at the orphans' home, and she has been eulogized by som eof the best citizens, both white and colored. Mrs. Robison lived a superior life and her good works made her a great leader among the people. She was an ardent church worker, and the weather was never too cold nor too hot for her to answer the call of duty, and she made many sacrifices to be prompt in her Christian duties. And today she is not in our midst, but sleeps in Jesus' arms. She leaves two children and a husband, Dr. P. D. Robinson, who, for thirty years, has been the leader of his people. They were both highly appreciated by the lowly as well as high class of people.

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The Gem theater of Lexington stands out as a very successful house. Green and Green left an everlasting impression with their jokes, songs and their general performance was up to the highest standard. Brown and Brown will be the next attraction at the Gem. Mr. Ball, manager of the Gem, is contemplating an all-star recital, composed of Bert Williams, Aida Overton Walker and many of the other stars.

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Dr. Eugene Taylor is one of the most progressive young pharmacists in the Grand Old Commonwealth, and is located in the most historical stand in the Blue Grass region, the famous Ballard's drug store, on Limestone street, in Lexington, which has won its way to the zenith with the people throughout the state as the headquarters of the Lexington famous Blue Grass Fair. Dr. Taylor has won his state wide reputation through polite service and general manner of treatment of those with whom he comes in contact. Dr. Taylor is very sedate and has all the characteristics that go to make the gentleman, and greatest of all, he is a Christian, and is imbued with the principle to "Treat thy neighbor as thy self," and in doing so he stands out pre-eminent as an example to the rising young girls and boys. Dr. Taylor is a member of the Pleasant Green Baptist church and has made many sacrifices to be punctual with his duties in the church. Where hundreds of boys and girls would be seeking pleasure, he would be busy performing his duties for the Almighty. It is with great pleasure that we point to a young man like Dr. Taylor, who has made a record that few can come up to. He is a Mason of high rank, and has a host of friends, both black and white, who are proud to recognize him.

DR. EUGENE TAYLOR ,

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The Negro citizen, a weekly paper of Paducah, made its appearance. It has a strong staff of able writers. We wish the Citizen much success.

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Hardin Tolbert, general newspaper correspondent, will start a permanent news bureau in this city, and will talk the matter over with you.

CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

(Z. L. Breedlove.)

Special to The Freeman.

At Bethel A. M. E. church an exhortation was delivered by the pastor at the Sunday morning service. The evening subject was "Jacob's Ladder. The attendance at Sunday school numbered 119. The trustees' aids meet at the home of Mrs. Mary Brannan on Poplar street on Monday evenings. The second division of the Senior Philatheas conducted the prayer meeting Wednesday evening. The choir rehearsal and trustee board meeting were held Thursday evening. The Sunday school teachers meet on Friday evenngs....At Salem Baptist church the subject was "The Path of the Just." Mr. Douglass read a paper on "The Condition of the People Before the Lord." "The Church Banner" was the topic at the evening service. The Deacon's Society meets Monday evening. Prayer meeting was held Wednesday evening. The Mission Society meets Thursday at the home of Mrs. Ed Wells, 1410 West Church street. A church meeting was held Friday evening....Salem Baptist church held a debate Thursday evening. The question was, "County Life vs. City Life." The chairman of the meeting was L. E. Mitchell, and the debators were Charles Taylor, of the Champaign high school, and Douglass Amos, A. Hart and William Prince, university students. The judges were Fred Lewis, Mrs. L. Rabb and Rev. Owen....Rev. H. E. McWilliam state superintendent of the Missionary Society was in champaign last week en route to Elgin, Ill., his home....Mr. E. L. Rogers, editor of the Forum at Springfield, Ill., was in the city on business on Friday and Saturday....Mr. S. L. Beatty won fourth cockerel prize at the Decatur Poultry Show last week with Rhode Island Reds....Rev. and Mrs. A. T. Jackson are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby girl on January 20.

CAIRO, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Frances Mattison Sealey, wife of Dr. S. T. Sealey, who died January 21 at Mounds, Ill., was brought to Cairo on Wednesday. Funeral services were held Thursday at St. Michael's church by the Rev. Father Dyke, assisted by Rev. Fisher, of Mounds, pastor of the Methodist church. Miss Dimple Robinson sang a solo. Floral designs were many. She leaves a husband, mother, Mrs. Mary E. Mattison, a sister, Mrs. Effie Pen Mattison, a brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Mattison, of Chicago....Mrs. Barbara Wilson will arrive in Chicago this week, the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Jackson....Mrs. Fannie Bishop is suffering from heart trouble....Mr. E. Mattison returned to his home in Chicago Friday after attend the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Sealey....Mrs. Baxton is on the sick list this week....Mr. Charles Williams, who has been visiting his aunt, Mrs. Wilson, returned to his home in Penbroke, Ky., Sunday....The Household of Ruth, No. 1312, held installation Thursday night....Freewill Baptist church held a grand rally which was a complete success. Rev. ones is pastor.

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HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Jan. 29 (Special).—Among the waiters to arrive here from Chicago, Ill., this week, were A. L. Stewart, L. Adams, Eugene Hesler, James Fletcher, Charles Jones, C. Washington, F. A. Douglass, T. Daniels, John Porter, R. Clark, L. D. Lashby, E. D. Ridought, Lawrence Livingston and C. C. Pruitt.

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ARCHIE GREATHOUSE.

Wm. E. Henderson, Attorney for Administrator.

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LOST RELATIVE.

I would like to know the whereabouts of my brother, M. F. Murdock. The last I heard of him, he was discharged from company M, Twenty-fifth infantry, on August 21, 1904, at Ft. Niobrana, Knox county, Neb. Address Ella Olison, Point, Texas, Rural Route No. 2.

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